

# IRON AGE

## *editorial*

### *Guns, Butter and Pap*

SINCE Charlie Wilson joined the defense effort things are moving a little faster. When he gets through shuffling people and things around they will move much faster. But there is only so much one can do. The rest is up to the people who have the responsibilities to see that things keep rolling.

It would be nice to sit back and say "Now things are going fine. Everything will be all right." But that just isn't so. Things are not fine nor are they going well. There will have to be a lot of heads bumped, personalities cut down and a stripped-for-action attitude taken before we get out of this snail's pace.

We seem to be fettered by too many words. We hear on every hand speeches about how we will keep our standard of living. Speakers high and mighty in the defense effort talk as if they would be robbing the people if we had a meatless day; or if we had less gas; or if we had to wear shiny pants; or if our wives had to turn our cuffs to get some extra wear; or if we had to read in a room that was a little below 72°.

Why all this fuss about standard of living? We are preparing for war or to prevent war so we can have a high standard of living and freedom. Is that term so sacred that we can't toss it in the ash can until we get strong and pay the bill as we go along?

We will still be living like kings compared to the rest of the world. We will live to see the day when we can prate about a television in every room, two dishwashers, hot and cold atmosphere, delicately perfumed house dust, 4-week vacations and hors d'oeuvres.

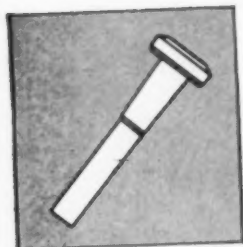
It is all right to prepare the people for things to come but we have had enough hot air on this subject from Washington to lift most of the rigid aircraft we have at present. What the people want is action. They have been ready for months. Let's tell them what they face in honest understandable terms and leave out the politicians' grandiose words that mean nothing.

Let's give the fellow, who knows the draft board will get him, some dope on how soon. Let's tell the industry that strives to keep its workers until defense orders come how long it will be. Let's tell what mistakes are being made and how they will be overcome. Let's get rid of the ones in high places who are not qualified to carry on such a big task.

In other words let's cut out some of the butter, all of the pap and concentrate on guns for a while at least.

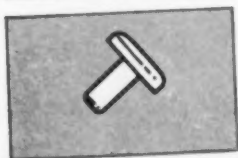
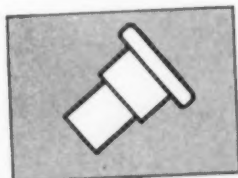
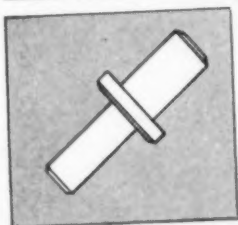
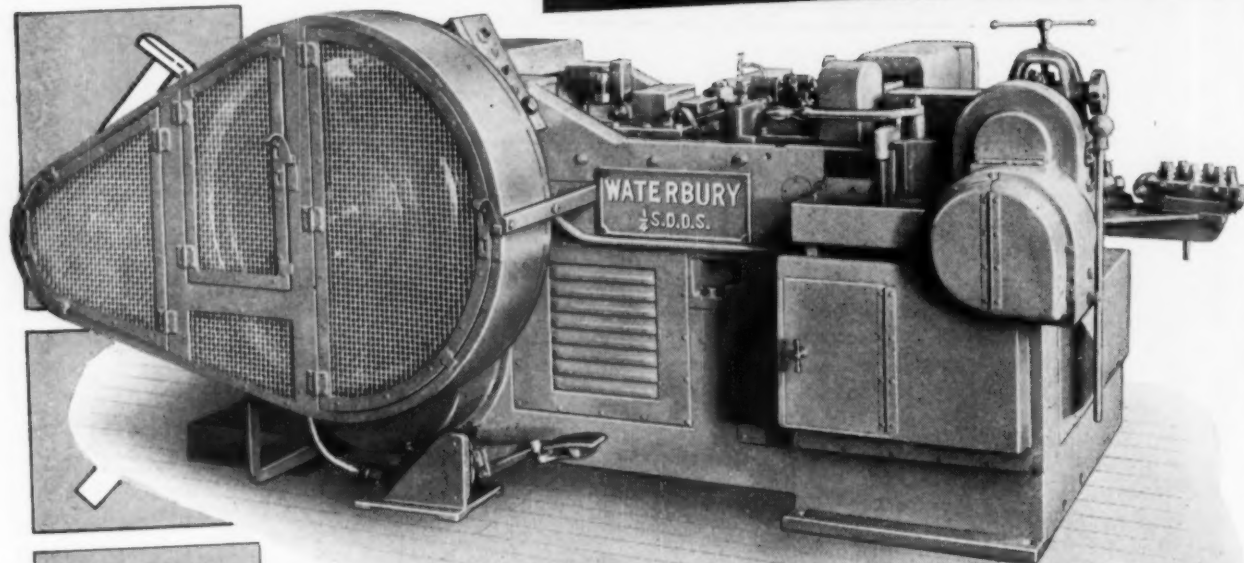
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# IRON AGE *newsfront*

*news  
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► A satisfactory side joint for containers made from electrolytically aluminized steel sheet has been developed in the laboratory. The method of joining the ends of cans made from this material will not be changed from the method now used on tinplate stock. The new process is not yet in commercial production.

► Tests indicate it may be practical to use porcelain, which has uniform physical properties and great gripping power, in place of mica in insulating electrical machinery commutators. Design of stronger commutators would ease a serious problem in design of high-speed motors and generators.

► Now in commercial use is a water conditioning process using a new synthetic resin. It can produce an effluent with zero hardness, low solids, alkalinity, silica and CO<sub>2</sub>. Also, pH is high and only inexpensive salt and lime are needed for operation.

► Infra-red heating of test tubes has been developed in Switzerland as an improvement on the bunsen burner. Heating and cooling are a great deal faster.

► Some railroads are getting a little worried about the effect of new Eastern steel mills on their freight revenues. When these mills begin producing, the freight revenue pattern will be altered drastically. Shipments from Pittsburgh to the East, for example, are likely to fall off.

► To date, investigations (by at least one major firm) of ductile silicon and alloys of this metal have been negative. Alloys tested so far have proved too brittle. This characteristic appears to be due to the fact that silicon has a diamond crystal lattice structure.

► A new aluminum alloy, 78S, will soon be announced. This heat-treatable grade is 10 pct stronger than the old type 76S.

► People who study the long-range supply outlook for steelmaking scrap must consider a new and very important factor: Steel users are constantly finding new ways to reduce scrap loss in manufacturing. The tonnage of scrap in relation to new steel used by the auto industry, for instance, is constantly being lowered by more efficient manufacturing methods.

► The furore over lack of priorities for steel capacity expansion is still unheeded. But at least as serious and so far unnoticed is the lack of priorities on steel for maintenance and repair of existing steelmaking facilities.

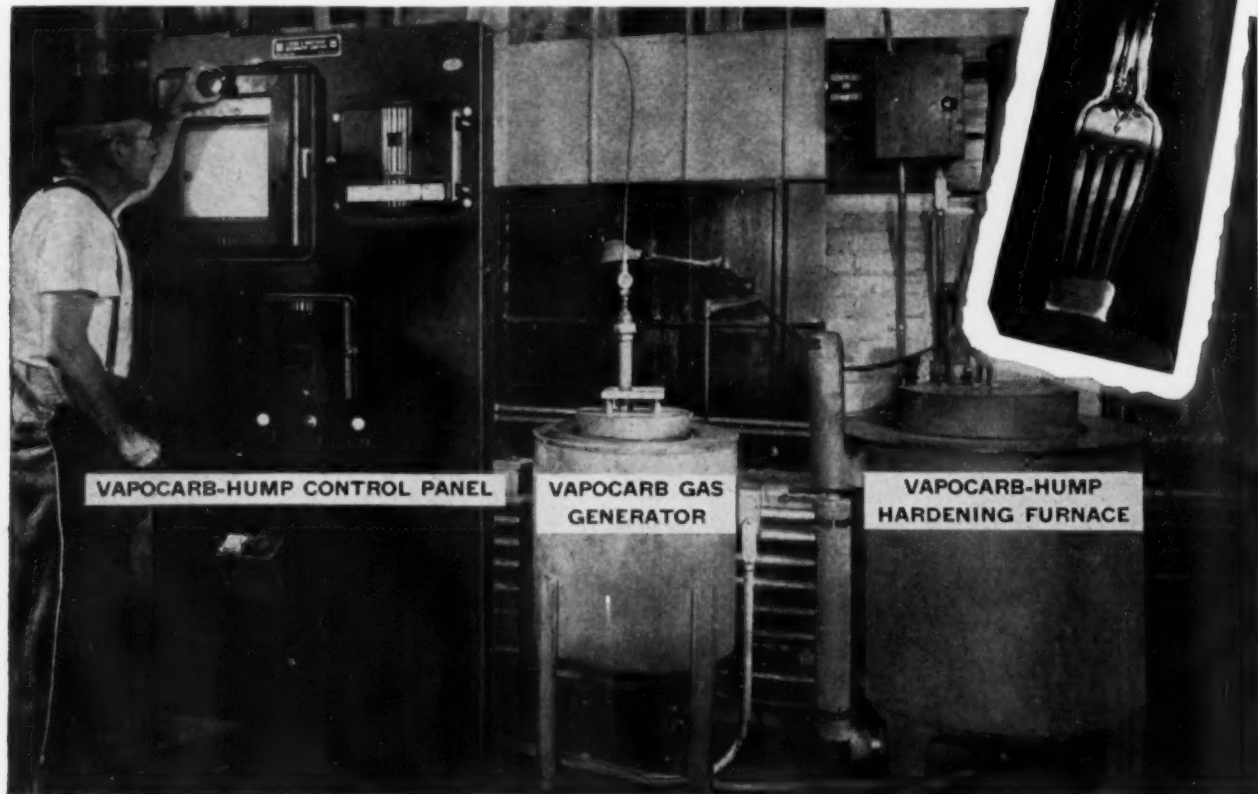
► Hot-dipped aluminum coatings of steel fence have proved exceptionally satisfactory. Tests conducted so far by one aluminum manufacturer indicate that it will definitely be competitive with the galvanized product.

► Disliking the behavior of airplanes in atmospheric bumps, a French engineer designed an articulated wing plane which was flown this month. He uses the automotive shock absorber principle to control the "flexible" wings.



# Silversmith's Way of Improving Tools Gives More Production Per Tool Dollar

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Reasons for the dependability of these L&N Methods are given in the Catalogs at left; they explain why more and more plants are finding that it pays to Vapocarb-Hump Harden and Homo Temper all tools.





# IRON AGE *summary*

*iron and steel  
industry trends*

**Price Controls and CMP Being Readied  
Lack of Staff Seen Biggest Obstacle  
Paper Work Snows Steel Sales Staffs**

PRICE controls and a controlled materials plan are being readied in Washington this week. A general price freeze covering nearly all products and commodities will become effective about February 15. The CMP will be in effect by June, if not sooner.

Both of these anti-inflation weapons will be hampered in their early stages by a dire shortage of administrative people, but the cries for heavy artillery against inflation have become so frequent and so loud that the Government can no longer resist them.

Increasing labor and material costs are upsetting expansion and improvement plans of some manufacturing companies. They are finding money allotted to these projects in the planning stage is no longer sufficient to cover requirements when construction is ready to start. One company's estimate for custom made capital equipment was over 100 pct off.

## **Shifting DO Pattern Confuses Producers**

Snowballing government orders, regulations, directives, revisions, and amendments have caused some people in industry who dislike government controls to call for a controlled materials plan. Steel producers are in a dither, trying to meet the constantly shifting needs of defense and essential civilian programs and still tell their regular customers what to expect. This everchanging pattern of DO and government-directed tonnage has upset their production schedules to the point where they are about ready to throw up their hands in disgust.

In addition, mills' clerical staffs are buried under mountains of paper work. For example, steel tonnage set aside for DO orders is based on shipments during a base period last year; government program tonnage is allocated directly; and warehouse allocations are based on another set of conditions. Just when clerical

forces start to work their way clear, additional directives, new programs, or changed percentages, snow them under again.

While steel people feel that CMP is necessary to restore order to the confused market, they also fear it. Once the economy is controlled to this extent it will be hard to get the controls lifted. They fear that CMP will drag on like a millstone long after the emergency or war has passed.

## **Hard to Check Urgency of DO Orders**

Meanwhile, military secrecy on the end use of alloy steel products is making it difficult for producers to check on the urgency of DO orders. They have no way of knowing whether a consumer is overstating the need for prompt delivery because ordnance applications are under wraps. They must take the word of the consumer.

Defense orders for stainless steel, particularly sheets, are growing by leaps and bounds. One producer who shipped 41 pct of his stainless sheets on DO orders in December has projected his February delivery to 55 pct and March delivery to 68 pct.

Defense tooling is now putting plenty of pressure on the machine tool market. It is becoming almost impossible to buy a standard machine today without a priority. Military people are insisting on standard machines wherever possible. In many cases they have the authority to buy standard equipment on the spot without consulting Washington. Also some new plants are expected to be kept in standby condition after the crisis. Standard machines are desirable from that standpoint too.

Steelmaking operations this week are scheduled at 101 pct of rated capacity, up 1½ points from last week. This will be another new all-time record for steel produced in a single week.

*(nonferrous summary, p 94)*



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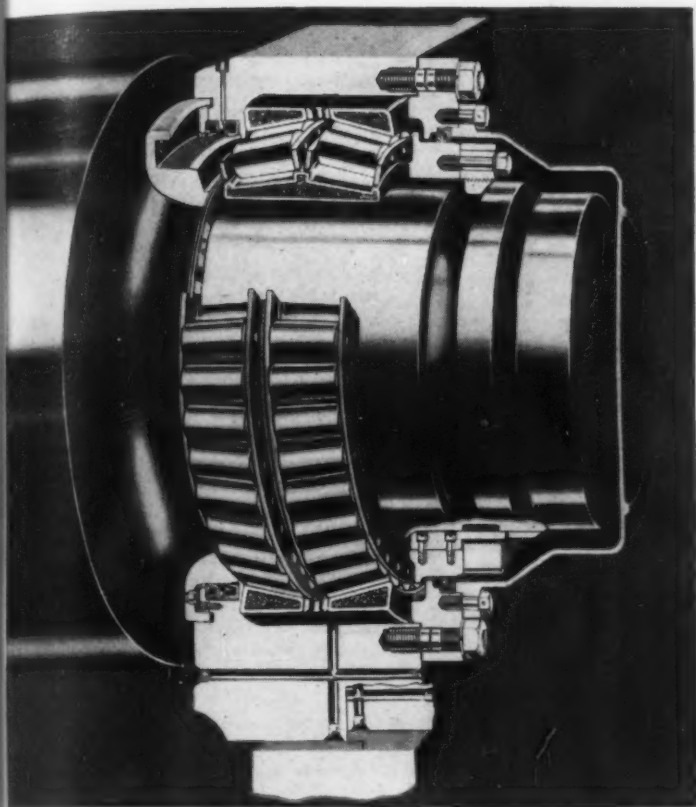


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C. H. WETZEL  
President

Wayne Iron Works  
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How about it, readers; any information on a similar problem?—Ed.

### Needs Tool Info

Sir:

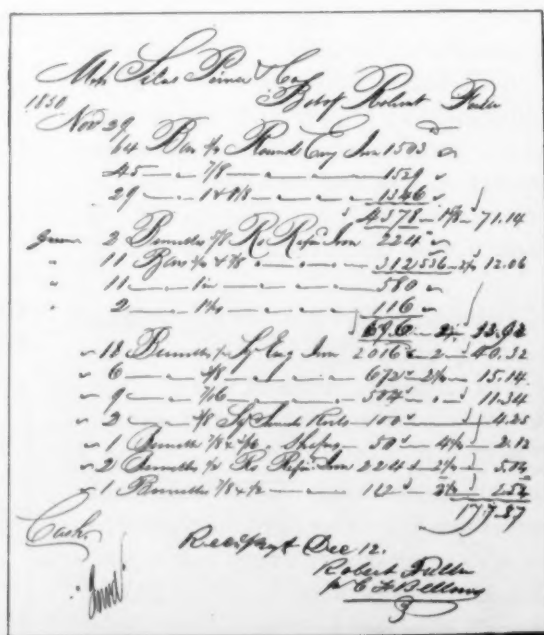
As professor of industrial engineering at Illinois Institute of Technology, I am currently preparing and offering a course entitled Tool Engineering Economics. This course covers not only manufacturing processes in general but also, as the name implies, specific machines and the tooling of those machines.

In order to acquaint my students with the machines and tools that are available in the current market, I need specific information. You can be of great help to me in this matter by sending to me any of the following materials, or others that you might choose: Advertising brochures; catalogs; illustrative diagrams and photographs; orientation and training manuals; manuals of tooling and recommended tooling; and price lists and other related material. At the moment I am compiling a series of mimeographed notes for use in this course and eventually expect to develop a published textbook which will involve illustrations of appropriate machines and their tooling.

H. A. WILLIAMS

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Perhaps some of our readers can help Prof. Williams by supplying any of the information requested.—Ed.



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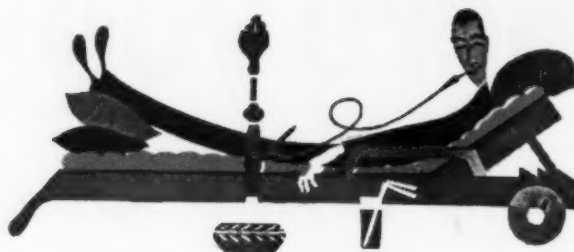
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by Charles T. Post

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### Puzzlers

The puzzler in the Jan. 11 issue has created quite a stir. Apparently everybody finally realized that the two diagonals of a rectangle are always equal. The obvious answer of 15 in. has been received from Jeanette Knapp, Chicago; Howard Fancher, Northville, N. Y.; B. L. Obear, Dexter, Maine; G. L. Griffith, Wright Aeronautical Corp.; Robert Huff, Canton, Ohio; and Nora LaDow, Birmingham.

A late comer on the smoke stack problem is Paul Bergevin, The Torrington Co., Ltd. His answer of 3.064 ft is good enough for us.

This week's puzzler sent in by Robert Huff, Canton, Ohio, is a good workout in plane geometry—with no tricks. A hole 4 in. in diameter is drilled through a metal block. Inserted in this hole are two roller bearings with the same length as the hole and radii of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{2}$  respectively. What is the radius of the largest ball bearing which can be thrust through the assembly?



# machine tool high spots

*sales  
inquiries  
and  
production*

*by W.A. Lloyd*



**Defense Inflates Demand**—Demand for machine tools was threatening to reach sky-high proportions this week as some of the primary objectives of the defense program including the creation of facilities for the production of 50,000 planes, and a smaller, but imposing number of tanks and combat vehicles, began to unfold.

In Washington it was reported that the Air Forces plan to order \$45 million in machine tools in the immediate future, as part of a preliminary commitment of \$150 million, which in turn is part of a total program involving about \$550 million in machine tools. These tools will be diverted to aircraft contractors, some of whom have not placed orders for machines as yet.

**New Combat Vehicle**—In Cleveland, an estimated \$106 million increase in the Cleveland Tank Plant commitment, involving the development and building of a "new combat vehicle" was announced jointly by U. S. Army Ordnance and Cadillac officials. The increase raises total tank and combat vehicle commitments of the Cleveland plant to a current value of approximately half-billion dollars.

**Question of Balance**—Projects of this magnitude bring into critical focus the plans of the machine tool industry to double production

this year, and the function of NPA. It seems that the fundamental problem facing NPA's machinery division is to match machine tool production, currently relatively low, with military requirements for machine tools, which are very high.

The question has been asked, "Why doesn't NPA do what WPB did in World War II?" The answer is that the circumstances are different, in both degree and timing.

**Had Head Start**—Last time, the machine tool industry tuned up on 2 years' of business for foreign customers, and with the advent of Pearl Harbor, was ready to go. The present defense program is set up for an eventuality which nobody can definitely predict.

Priorities for materials and pool orders appear to be the obvious answers to a rapid increase in machine tool production, an important objective not without official recognition in Washington.

**Priority Step Coming?**—But when the pool orders or Emergency Production Schedules, as they are formally designated, are activated, some distribution order, similar, but not identical to World War II's E-1-B will probably accompany the order.

A priority for materials is reportedly under consideration. When

this step is taken, it will probably be done in a way least likely to be ill-received by other manufacturers, who feel that their products are also highly essential to the war effort. Just what this way will be poses a real public relations problem.

**Defiance Line Sold**—In Defiance, Ohio, the drill press line of Defiance Machine Co., an 80-year-old company which is going out of business, has been sold to Cleveland and Lima, Ohio, interests. Defiance Machine Co. sold its boring mill line to Kempsmith & Co., and its plastic machinery to the Baldwin Co. some months ago.

W. L. Thomas, president Thomas, Inc., machine tool distributors; A. E. Petrus, Petrus Industrial Machinery Sales Co., and George U. Crites, consulting engineer of Lima, purchased the drill press line from Defiance for an undisclosed sum, recently.

**British DPC?**—Britain, through the Ministry of Supply, will own all machine tools bought for the new armament program. Machines will be leased to manufacturers, but the government will retain the right to move them from one plant to another.

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- Feb. 19-22 — American Institute of Mining & Metallurgical Engineers, annual meeting, Jefferson Hotel, St. Louis. Institute headquarters are at 29 W. 39th St., New York.
- Mar. 5-7 — Hydraulic Institute, quarterly meeting, Santa Barbara Biltmore Hotel, Santa Barbara, Calif. Institute headquarters are at 122 E. 42nd St., New York.
- Mar. 5-7 — Manufacturers Standardization Society of the Valve and Fittings Industry, annual meeting, Commodore Hotel, New York. Society headquarters are at 420 Lexington Ave. New York.
- Mar. 5-7 — Pittsburgh Conference on Analytical Chemistry and Applied Spectroscopy, William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh. American Chemical Society national headquarters are at 1155 16th St., Washington.
- Mar. 5-9 — American Society for Testing Materials, spring meeting, Cincinnati. Society headquarters are at 1916 Race St., Philadelphia.
- Mar. 6-8 — Society of Automotive Engineers, passenger car, body and materials meetings, Hotel Book-Cadillac, Detroit. Society headquarters are at 29 W. 39th St., New York.
- Mar. 12-15 — National Electrical Manufacturers Assn., spring meeting, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago. Association headquarters are at 165 E. 44th St., New York.
- Mar. 13-15 — Assn. of American Railroads, Engineering Div. and Construction & Maintenance Section, annual meeting, Palmer House, Chicago. Association headquarters are in the Transportation Bldg., Washington.
- Mar. 13-16 — National Assn. of Corrosion Engineers, conference and exhibition, Statler Hotel, New York. Association headquarters are in the Southern Standard Bldg., Houston.
- Mar. 14-17 — American Society of Tool Engineers, annual meeting, Hotel New Yorker, New York. Society headquarters are at 10700 Puritan Ave., Detroit.
- Mar. 19-21 — National Assn. of Waste Material Dealers, annual convention, Stevens Hotel, Chicago. Association headquarters are at 1109 Times Bldg., New York.
- Mar. 19-21 — Steel Founders Society of America, annual meeting, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago. Society headquarters are at 920 Midland Bldg., Cleveland.
- Mar. 19-23 — Western Metal Congress and Exposition, Civic Auditorium and Exposition Hall, Oakland, Calif. American Society for Metals headquarters are at 7301 Euclid Ave., Cleveland.
- Mar. 22-23 — Pressed Metal Institute, annual technical meeting, Hotel Carter, Cleveland. Institute headquarters are at 13210 Shaker Square, Cleveland.
- Apr. 2-3 — Diamond Core Drill Manufacturers Assn., annual meeting, The Homestead, Hot Springs, Va. Association headquarters are at 122 E. 42nd St., New York.
- Apr. 2-4 — American Institute of Mining & Metallurgical Engineers, openhearth and blast furnace, coke oven and raw materials conference, Statler Hotel, Cleveland. Institute headquarters are at 29 W. 39th St., New York.

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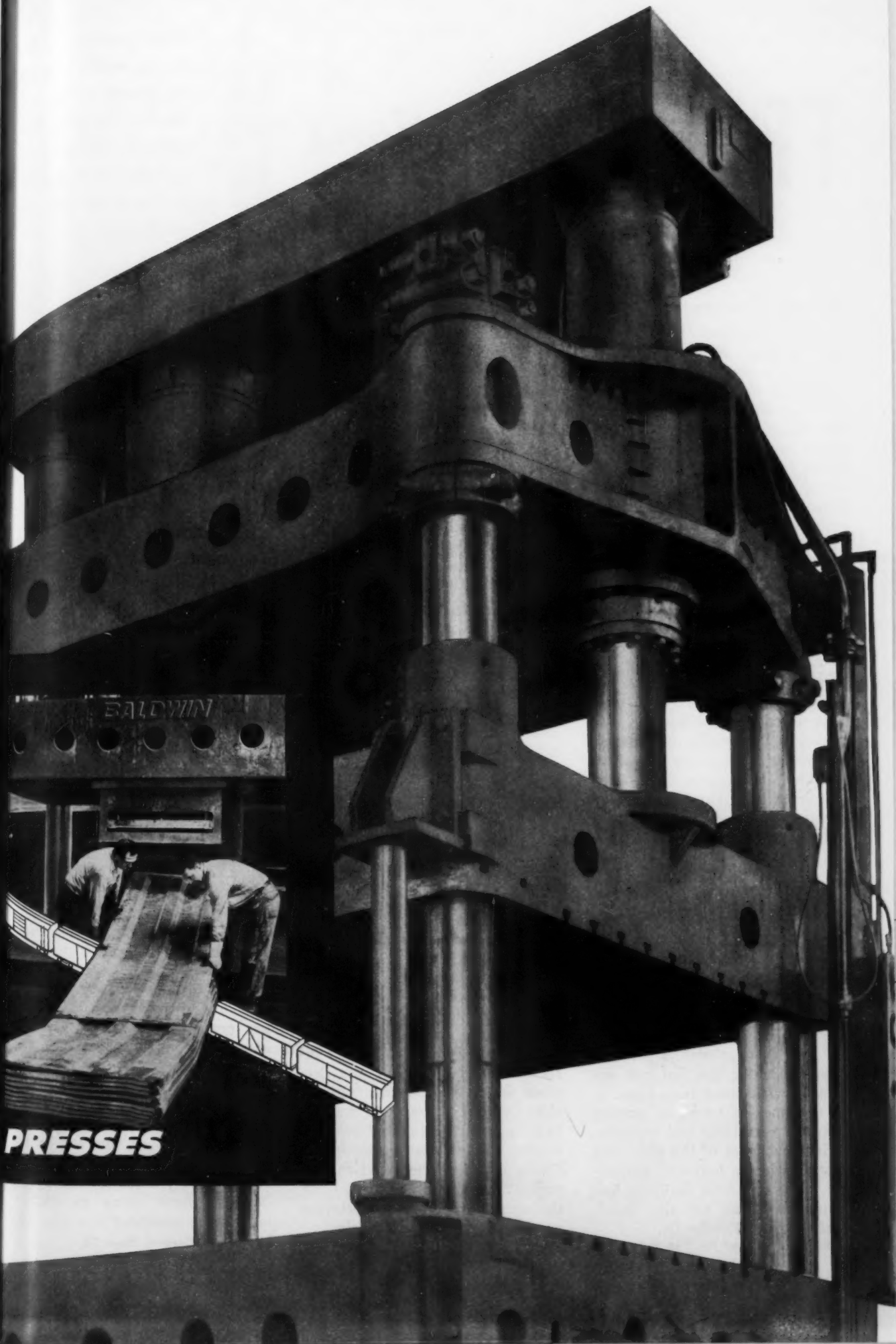
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## Broaches and Presses

The new 4-p. bulletin 10052 contains complete specifications and condensed information on a standard line of fluid power broaching machines and presses, illustrating and describing diversified special machines and listing the fluid power components manufactured for direct and resale purposes. *Oilgear Co.*

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Two new bulletins describe Derusto, a durable primer that prevents, absorbs and stops rust on all new and rusted metal. The bulletins show detailed results of a series of tests substantiating the claims made for this material, explaining what these tests mean to the customer in terms of greater efficiency, versatility and economy. Various examples of the wide field of application in industry, agriculture, state and civic facilities and around the home are also listed. *Master Bronze Powder Co.*

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## British Machine Tools

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## Hard Surfacing Mn Steel

"Hard Surfacing Manganese Steel" is the title of a 4-p. bulletin outlining applications, precautions and suggestions on the proper procedures. The folder states that success in the facing of manganese is achieved by avoiding high temperatures throughout the body of the steel, a precaution which should be observed on pieces even as small as a shovel tooth. Where precautions as outlined have been observed, manganese has been successfully hard surfaced, saving users of manganese steel many thousands of dollars. *Rankin Mfg. Co.*

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## Electrode Data

Contents of a 24-p. reference and instruction book, "Welding With Ampco Bronze Electrodes," include technical and pertinent information about every bronze electrode which Ampco manufactures, along with recommended welding techniques, welding procedures, and machining suggestions. Convenient charts covering the selection and preheating of bronze electrodes and the weldability of these electrodes are shown. *Ampco Metal, Inc.*

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## Series-Arc Technique

The series-arc technique of submerged melt welding, a production welding method in which the depth of penetration of the weld metal into the base metal can be controlled, is explained in a new 28-p. illustrated booklet, "Welding with Multiple Electrodes in Series—A New Method of Unionmelt Welding." Use of this method in cladding operations with stainless steels, surface applications with some hard-facing rods, and in non-ferrous cladding and surfacing applications are discussed. *Linde Air Products Co.*

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## New Molding Brochure

A new 24-p. brochure covering fully automatic molding of thermosetting plastics describes the origins and growth of automatic molding, from the hand mold press to the fully automatic press. Cost savings by automatic molding are described, showing how it produces uniformity of parts, low mold and labor cost, less molding time, material savings, minimum investment, and controlled inventory. Typical applications for automatic molding are illustrated, together with its adaptability to a wide range of plastics products. Several case histories of successful users are presented. *F. J. Stokes Machine Co.*

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## Radiation Protection

A selection of approved protective equipment of interest to industries directly concerned with the atomic energy field, as well as industrial plants using radioactive isotopes, is presented in a new 8-p.

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destructible Copperspun. Cartridge type ball bearings with ample grease space permit sealing for the life of the bearing if desired, but with provisions for easy flushing and regreasing. *Fairbanks, Morse & Co.*

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## Sine Fixture Keys

Eliminate milling fixture key slots.

Sine fixture keys make it possible to establish the locating point, bore the fixture key holes and inspect the fixture all on one machine and in one setup. The flats of the sine fixture key base and the top of the shank are tapered to facilitate easy insertion. An additional feature is the locking device that enables the worker to rest the sine fixture key firmly in place by the slight turning of a set screw. *Jergens Tool Specialty Co.*

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## Unloading Valve

Features balance piston design for close accurate fit in valve bore.

Used in oil hydraulic circuits to unload one part of the circuit at no back pressure to the tank, a new hydraulic unloading valve is operated by pilot pressure from some other part of the circuit. Free flow to tank continues as long as the pilot pressure is higher than the setting of the valve. The Model 8826 unloading valve is available in sizes  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  in., in two pressure ranges of 50 to 150 psi and 500 to 1500 psi, adjustable from minimum to maximum in both ranges. *Rivett Lathe & Grinder, Inc.*

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## Pneumatic Hoist

Powered by rotary type air motor; lifting capacities, 250 to 2000 lb.

A new, lightweight, compact air hoist uses the worm-gear hoisting mechanism of the Detroit-Titan electric hoist, with an air-powered motor in place of an elec-

tric motor. The air motor is a sliding vane, rotary type; no pistons or reciprocating parts are involved. The hoist fitted with pendant operated, self-closing control, provides hoisting and lowering speeds that can be varied from a crawl, progressively, to full speed. *Detroit Hoist & Machine Co.*

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## Steam Turbine-Generators

High-speed, compact, streamlined; developed in 500 to 7500 kw ratings.

WA Series multi-stage, all-impulse steam turbine-generator units can operate with economical regenerative feedwater heating cycles and can be tied-in thermodynamically to provide a steam-power balance where low pressure process steam is utilized. Governor and regulating characteristics provide for paralleling with existing units and tie-lines. They incorporate the simplicity of three-bearing unit construction with quality multi-stage impulse turbine, housing type generator, and direct-connected exciter construction. *Allis-Chalmers Mfg. Co.*

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## Sealed-Hub Wheels

New Airlite Seal wheel offered at 50 pct below present price.

Of cast aluminum with solid rubber tread, the new sealed-hub industrial wheels feature a hub structure incorporating low-cost roller bearings and other economy features. The wheel is said to exclude virtually all foreign matter responsible for excessive bearing and axle wear and deterioration. Zerk fittings permit periodic lubrication of bearings and axle without tieup of handling equipment. Wheels range from 6 to 20 in. diam. *Aerol Co. Inc.*

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## Honing Machine

Small machine has working stroke of 15 in. and capacity from  $\frac{1}{4}$  to 4 in.

The machine carries a  $1\frac{1}{4}$ -in. diam heat-treated alloy steel spindle, driven by a 3-hp motor through alloy steel reduction gears, with three spindle speeds available. Reciprocation is hydraulic with a 2-hp motor driving a Vickers pump with Vickers controls that permit reciprocating speeds from 1 to 70 fpm. Standard height under the

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## Boring Tool Sets

Sixteen different combinations to meet varying requirements.

To facilitate the work of jig boring operators various groupings of boring tools are available in convenient, compact form with those shank diameters and lengths of tools required to carry on a particular type work. Hole diameters run as small as 1/16 in. Larger diameter tools have separate cutters, all interchangeable to fit the shanks supplied. Some sets contain 3/4 and 1-in. adaptors to fit tools with 3/8-in. shank diam. *Bokum Tool Co.*

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## Fluid Transfer Pump

Transfers fluids at 22 gpm emptying 55 gal drum of SAE 30 oil in 2 min.

A new high speed, air-operated transfer pump can be used for transferring lubricants, thinners, coolants, naphthas, and non-corrosive chemicals without spillage, mess or waste. It fits all 2-in. opening drums; has a built-in, disk-type, precision-flo regulator to permit finger-tip regulation of the volume of output. The pump is steel construction, weighing 18 lb. *Lincoln Engineering Co.*

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## Aluminum Paint

Extra high heat resistant paint; withstands temperatures to 1700°F.

Known as Heat-Rem H-170, the new paint utilizes a silicone base and fuses with surface metal immediately upon application. It is said to form a bright, elastic finish resistant to moisture, corrosion, mild acids, alkalis and industrial fumes. It sets in 4 hr and dries completely overnight on hot surfaces. *Speco, Inc.*

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## Magnesium Anodes

Units contain anodes, backfill in cloth sack, copper wire attached.

The Anode-Pak units consist of a 17 or 32-lb anode packed with a chemically balanced backfill in a permeable cloth sack. A 10-ft insulated copper wire is attached and the complete unit shipped in a carton for instant installation and service. The use of the unit eliminates the need for mixing backfill at the site, and provides a backfill prepared under laboratory control to insure long installation life. *Apex Smelting Co.*

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## Induction Motors

Totally enclosed non-ventilated; indestructible Copperspun rotors.

The Fairbanks-Morse line of type QZE, totally enclosed, non-ventilated, squirrel cage, induction motors now includes continuous duty ratings built in NEMA standard frame 284: 7½ hp, 1800 rpm and 5 hp, 1200 rpm motors. Being completely sealed, there are no air passages to become clogged. Cooling is by radiation from the motor frames that are designed to maintain safe and uniform internal temperatures. Rotors are the in-

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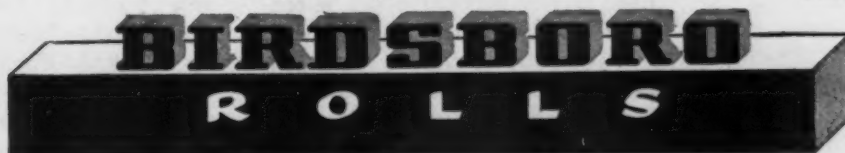
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spindle nose is 40 in. The machine is equipped with full pushbutton controls including pushbutton withdrawal at the end of the honing cycle. *C. Allen Fulmer Co.*

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### Automatic Sorting Gage

Sorts bushings 1/2 in. diam x 3/4 in. long at rate of 3600 per hr.

Bushings used in telephone lightning fuse units can be measured at the rate of 3600 per hr with an automatic sorting gage. The overall length is measured and each piece automatically delivered into two acceptable lengths and into over and under lengths. The machine is completely automatic; bushings are deposited in the hopper and the gage disposes them



into the proper tote boxes. Federal Electricators and power units are used to measure the bushings and control the segregating units. Signal lights show the operator what is going on at all times. *Federal Products Corp.*

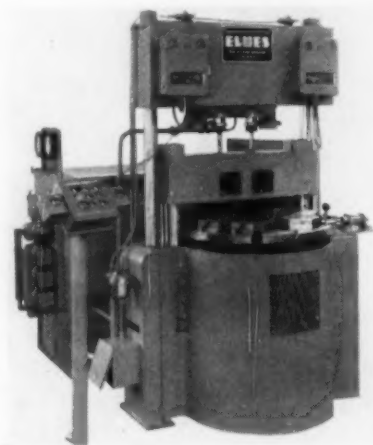
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### Transfer Press

Designed for the molding of small rubber parts around metal inserts.

Parts are produced on the new hydraulic transfer press at the rate of 20 units per 2-min cycle—10 units per min. The press is equipped with two transfer rams, each of 20 tons capacity. The moving-down die clamp has 60 tons capacity. Lower halves of the die are mounted on a rotating 3-station table providing nearly continuous processing of material, per-

mitting curing and unloading while material is being molded. The press has semi-automatic timed cycle controls, pushbutton operated, with inching features for all movements. The rotating table is mounted on a circular steam plate



to maintain die temperature when dies are out of pressing position. The clamp is provided with a smaller steam plate. Automatic controls maintain constant temperature. *Elmes Engineering Div., American Steel Foundries.*

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### Hard Chrome Plater

Compact portable unit for hard chrome plating metal surfaces.

Parts up to 10 in. square can be hard chrome plated in the Model A-20 Chromaster. Powered by a dry disk, power pack, selenium rectifier, the unit is complete with plating bath tank, heavy duty rheostat, timer, ammeter and reversing switch for stripping action. The



hard chrome deposition can be controlled to tolerances of less than 0.0001 in. Operating at room temperature, Chromasol is a new, non-critical chrome plating solution available in a liquid concentrated form. It delivers a hard chrome plate that follows the exact charac-

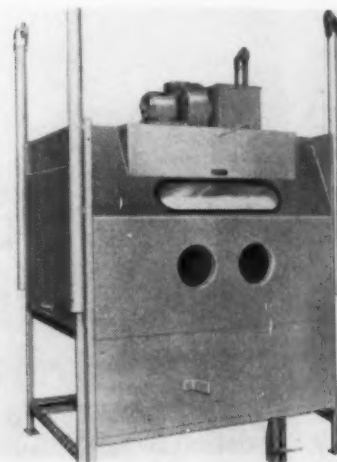
teristics of the base metal to which it is applied. The rate of deposition remains constant at 0.002 iph. Using this process 1 1/2 min is said to be the average time required to hard chrome cutting tools and wear parts. *Ward Leonard Electric Co.*

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### Finishing Machine

Fluid-abrasive blast stops glare, reduces friction, holds lubricant.

In a new surface finishing machine work is placed in the sheet steel cabinet having an inverted pyramid hopper which contains 50 lb abrasive and 8 gal of water. Abrasive is kept in suspension by an agitator and propelled at an 85-oz impact against the work through a syphon-jet type gun attached to a flexible air hose. The operator directs the nozzle from outside the cabinet, working



through arm holes, and observes work through an inspection window. Visibility is maintained by fluorescent lighting inside the cabinet and filtered exhaust system. Air is regulated by a foot throttle. The machine is available in seven standard sizes. *Jewett Mfg. Co.*

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### Tensioning Setup

Removes foil processing problems.

Scrap losses and machine downtime due to foil breakage are said to be practically eliminated by a new precision tensioning means used on aluminum foil mills built by Lewis & Foundry & Machine Co. The tensioning control is based on use of a high capacity low pressure air brake. Tension produced by this brake can be precisely cali-

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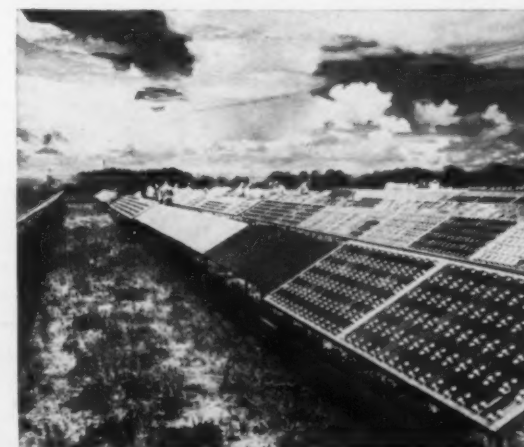
View of Harbor Island Laboratory and Testing Station.



Lowering piling test specimens into place. Sea water is something more than a mixture of chemicals; its corrosive action over an extended period can be studied properly only by exposure of specimens to attack under natural conditions.



Running water troughs. For studying the action of sea water flowing at moderate velocities, specimens are immersed in the troughs, shown above. The total length of trough used for this purpose now amounts to about 600 feet.



Atmospheric and spray test lot. Shown above is part of the atmospheric test lot at Kure Beach in which over 20,000 specimens have been exposed, some for over nine years. The racks face south, and the specimens, supported on porcelain insulators, are all set at a slope of 30 degrees.

## New testing station provides expanded facilities for corrosion studies

During the past 15 years, the Atlantic Ocean at Kure Beach served as a giant test tube for studying attacks of sea water and salt air upon more than 35,000 specimens, including virtually all types of metals and alloys.

Storm damage to the basin, in which the underwater tests were conducted, compelled establishment of a new and protected testing station. Accordingly, some 15 miles north, on Harbor Island, the new Inco Marine Laboratory was built to provide expanded facilities and an even better "Ocean Test Tube."

This new Harbor Island station, along with the atmospheric test racks retained on the shore of Kure Beach, now widen the scope of cooperative enterprise for fighting industry's common enemy — corrosion.

The vast amount of valuable data accumulated over the years will continue to be made available to all industry, as well as to government agencies for whom and with whose cooperation much of the research has been undertaken. You are invited to consult us on your corrosion problems.



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# IRON AGE

## *introduces.*

**William C. Oberg**, appointed manufacturing consultant, U. S. STEEL CO., Pittsburgh. Mr. Oberg joined U. S. Steel in 1911 and prior to his present appointment, was general manager of operations, Pittsburgh district. **John H. Elliott**, appointed general manager—manufacturing.

**Robert C. Tyson**, elected vice-president of U. S. STEEL CORP., New York. Mr. Tyson will continue as comptroller in addition to his new post.

**Kenneth F. Ames**, promoted to sales manager, Plains division of the CATERPILLAR TRACTOR CO., Peoria, Ill. **Lee Morgan**, and **Gordon Fowler** will serve as assistant sales managers, Plains division. Other organizational changes: **E. A. Tiarks**, becomes assistant sales manager, Western division, **W. F. Jordan**, assistant sales manager, Eastern division.

**Carl J. Meister**, appointed vice-president and director of sales of the ATLAS CHAIN & MFG. CO., Philadelphia.

**Maurice J. McCarthy, Jr.**, appointed manager of magnet wire sales of the ANACONDA WIRE & CABLE CO., Muskegon, Mich. **Richard B. Steinmetz**, appointed general manager of mills with headquarters at Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y.

**Milton E. Mengel**, named Great Lakes regional manager of BURROUGHS ADDING MACHINE CO., Detroit. **J. Berryman** appointed superintendent of machine assembly and adjusting, and **K. Schwartz** as superintendent of production control, at the Plymouth, Mich. plant.

**L. G. Porter**, elected treasurer of BORG-WARNER CORP., Chicago.

**Alan F. Dill**, promoted to the newly-created post of defense regulations coordinator for the AMERICAN WIRE & STEEL CO., Cleveland.

**Carl W. Hopp**, named assistant manager of the Northwest Division of AMERICAN PIPE CONSTRUCTION CO., Portland, Ore. **Floyd E. Mulford**, advanced to position of assistant sales manager. **Don S. Browne** and **C. Herbert Johnson**, joined the sales staff. **Don S. Burnett**, named production manager.

**Robert C. Ross**, retired from active service with JOSEPH T. RYERSON & SON, INC., Chicago, after 47 years with the company.

**James R. Hitt**, appointed manager of the factory branch of the TRAIL-MOBILE CO., Newark, N. J.

**Gordon F. Friauf**, appointed general material supervisor at ALLIS-CHALMERS MFG. CO., Milwaukee. **Charles A. McCormack**, retired after 55 years with the company.

**C. R. Carlin**, elected vice-president in charge of production and **R. K. Lee**, elected vice-president in charge of research and engineering, for the ALLOY RODS CO., York, Pa. Other officers elected: **E. J. Brady**, president and chairman of the board; **M. G. Sedan**, executive vice-president; **W. D. Himes**, treasurer; and **H. L. Weaver**, secretary and assistant treasurer.

**A. J. Morrison**, elected chairman of the junior board of directors of DRAVO CORP., Pittsburgh. Three new members appointed to the board are **William D. Bickel**, manager of the power department; **Louis P. Struble**, manager of the Keystone Division, and **William H. Collins**, director of advertising.



**H. THOMAS HALLOWELL, JR.**, elected president of the Standard Pressed Steel Co., Jenkintown, Pa.



**C. S. BEATTIE**, appointed executive vice-president and general manager of Delta-Star Electric Co., a division of H. K. Porter Co., Inc., Chicago.



**ALBERT J. BERDIS**, appointed general superintendent of U. S. Steel Company's Fairless Works, Morrisville, Pa.

# IRON AGE

## *salutes*

*Erwin Loewy*



**H**E is a man who has made American industrial strength mightier. His great hydraulic presses and mill machinery are revolutionizing design and production methods in aircraft and other industries. He is putting muscle in the industrial body.

Erwin Loewy, dynamic president of Hydropress, Inc., has built an international reputation for ability to accomplish the impossible. His latest giant is a forging press bigger than any ever built, limited only by manufacturing and transportation facilities.

After World War II the United States Air Force sought the why and how of German hydraulic press development. The Air Force turned to the one man who could best give the answers. Erwin Loewy went to Germany for a 30-day visit and stayed 10 months as an Air Force consultant.

Born in Czechoslovakia, Mr. Loewy studied engineering in Prague, France and Germany. He acquired a wide knowledge of the steel industry while working with a steel supply house in Duesseldorf. Later he became a guiding spirit in Schloemann Engineering Co. in Germany.

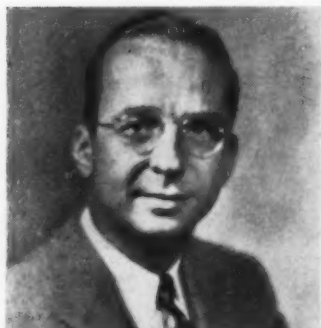
The coming of the Nazi forced Mr. Loewy and his associates to transfer headquarters to their British company, Loewy Engineering Co., Ltd. In 1940 he came to the United States and organized Hydropress, Inc.

Mr. Loewy first visited the U. S. in 1926 when he tried to sell heavy presses to American industry. In 1936 he supervised installation of the first Loewy press in this country at the Bridgeport Brass plant.

Prior to U. S. entry in World War II, Erwin Loewy warned OPM this country would need many extrusion presses. It took WPB a year-and-a-half to reach a decision. Then Hydropress built 80 heavy extrusion presses for American industry. He feels this country today stands in the same desperate need for heavy duty forging presses as it did in 1942 for extrusion presses.



**SAM B. HEPPENSTALL, JR.**, elected vice-president in charge of sales of American Forge & Mfg. Co., Pittsburgh.



**NORMAN F. SMITH**, elected president of The Osborn Mfg. Co., Cleveland.



**W. R. PERSONS**, elected vice-president in charge of sales of The Lincoln Electric Co., Cleveland.



**W. G. ANDREWS**, appointed executive vice-president and general manager of Electrofilm Corp.

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**Edward O. Boshell**, elected chairman of the board of directors and president of the WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE CO., and its subsidiary, The Union Switch and Signal Co., Pittsburgh. **Herbert A. May**, elected senior vice-president of the parent company.

**Alexander H. Gaal**, appointed a vice-president of the EARLE M. JORGENSEN CO., Los Angeles. Mr. Gaal retains his position as merchandising manager.

**Joseph G. Wortley**, appointed manager of sales of the KENILWORTH STEEL CO., Kenilworth, N. J.

**William K. Honan**, appointed a regional manager of A L L - STATE WELDING ALLOYS CO., INC., White Plains, N. Y. Mr. Honan will direct sales and service for the company in all of New England, northern New York state, western Pennsylvania and Ohio.

**Peter B. Kline**, named manager of stainless sales for the EDGCOMB STEEL CO., Philadelphia.

**J. Benjamin Cowan**, promoted to the office of executive vice-president of PLASTEEL PRODUCTS CO., Washington, Pa.

**Charles H. Disch**, retired as vice-president and director of purchases of the WROUGHT WASHER MFG. CO., Milwaukee. Mr. Disch was with the company for 44 years.

**A. M. Turner**, elected assistant treasurer of the WILLIAMS & CO., INC., Pittsburgh. **W. A. Risher**, appointed manager of the nickel alloys department. **G. E. Pickett**, appointed manager of the stainless steel department.

**C. B. House, Jr.**, and **Lee J. Mohler**, appointed sales managers of two newly established product line sections; the A-C Motor section and the D-C motor and generator section, respectively, of the GENERAL ELECTRIC CO., Lynn, Mass.

**C. Russell Conklin**, named manager of the Republic Rubber Div., of LEE RUBBER & TIRE CORP., Philadelphia. **Warren Ingersoll**, formerly in charge of the Philadelphia office, becomes assistant to the president.

**H. T. Hallowell, Sr.**, becomes chairman of the board of STANDARD PRESSED STEEL CO., Jenkintown, Pa., the company that he founded in 1903. **Harold F. Gade**, appointed senior vice-president. Mr. Gade is a co-founder. **J. Whiting Friel**, named vice-president in charge of sales; **William I. Kryder**, elected secretary. Mr. Kryder succeeds **Ralph S. Mast**, who is retiring after 46 years of service with the company.

**A. G. Hendrickson**, joined A. O. SMITH CORP., Milwaukee, as welding equipment sales manager.

**Robert C. Kuhn**, appointed assistant district manager of the Cleveland sales office of the CRUCIBLE STEEL COMPANY OF AMERICA.

**James S. McCullough**, appointed sales promotion manager for LAMSON CORP., Syracuse, N. Y.

**Edward J. Lilly**, named sales engineer for the Butterfield Div., UNION TWIST DRILL CO. Mr. Lilly will be located in Philadelphia, representing the Butterfield Division in Philadelphia and Baltimore.

**Howard H. Blouch**, appointed sales manager of the Cleveland Plant of the CHROMIUM CORP. OF AMERICA, Cleveland.

**John W. Coddington**, appointed manager of sales of the Boston district, BETHLEHEM STEEL CO., succeeding **Robert B. Wallace**, who has retired after 40 years of service.

## OBITUARIES

**Lionel M. Stern**, 77, chairman of the board of The Colonial Iron Works Co., Cleveland, which he founded in 1916, died recently.

**Robert N. Anderson**, 52, district sales manager of Harnischfeger Corp., died recently.

**John Avery**, president of Roots-Connersville Blower Corp., since 1946, died recently.

**George F. Meyer**, 83, president of F. Meyer & Brother Co., and former president of The Meyer Furnace Co., both of Peoria, Ill., died recently.



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**Chrysler show is tribute to engineers  
... V-8 engine features economy ...  
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*by Walter G. Patton*

**Carmakers Have a Case**—The opinion is growing in Detroit that automobile producers will be permitted to raise their prices based on a formula yet to be developed. The carmakers have a good case. One producer has estimated that between June and December the price of raw materials alone going into a car has increased more than \$125 per car.

During the past 6 months, the price of crude rubber has jumped 130 pct. GRS rubber is up 6 pct. Synthetic rubber has advanced 12½ pct. Tin prices have increased 93 pct and lead is up 44 pct. The upward swing in zinc prices is 19 pct. Wool costs have gone up 59 pct.

**Tribute to Engineers** — The Chrysler engineering exhibit held last week at the Massachusetts Ave. plant in conjunction with the introduction of 1951 Chrysler models is undoubtedly the finest tribute yet paid to the automobile engineer. It was an engineer's show—a great personal triumph for the entire Chrysler engineering staff.

In addition to new Chrysler products—the 1951 line of cars, the new V-8 Fire Power engine, power steering, Oriflow shock absorbers, automatic transmission and air cooled brakes—Chrysler displayed impressive exhibits of

the research tools used by the up-to-date engineer to develop these products.

**Complex Rocker Arms**—The new Chrysler V-8 engine is, of course, the No. 1 exhibit. Most ingenious feature of the new powerplant is the complex rocker arm assembly which requires two rocker arms, two hydraulic valve lifters and four push rods for each cylinder. This arrangement eliminates the necessity for an overhead cam, greatly simplifying the servicing problem.

**Engine Breathes Better**—Tests indicate the new engine will give an 11 pct improvement in economy. The valve position in the hemisphere head is such that the valves are approximately at right angles to each other. This permits improved "breathing" and is one of the reasons for the Chrysler claim of improved combustion efficiency, less build-up of carbon, varnish and other products of combustion. Incidentally, auto engineers agree that the build up of deposits in a dirty engine may reduce the effective octane rating of fuel from 11 to 15 points.

The new Chrysler engine will undoubtedly cost more to build than previous engines. Valves, for example, are equipped with two springs each.

**Submarine Auto**—Dodge is assembling four types of military vehicles on the same production lines used for civilian trucks. Last week the company began production on a \$92 million order for military trucks, including cargo vehicles, telephone and maintenance trucks, utility trucks and wheel-drive field ambulances.

Incidentally, with a snorkel tube fitted on the engine and tail pipe, the new Dodge utility vehicles will operate in water which would normally be over the driver's head. After setting the throttle, the driver is able to sit on the roof and steer the vehicle with his toes. The ignition system is completely water-proofed. Breathing for the engine is provided through the front snorkel.

**Squeak-Proof Brakes**—Another Chrysler engineering first will undoubtedly be new molded brake lining used on trucks. The lining is said to be a design that eliminates squeaking of the brakes.

**Some Overtime Scheduled**—A substantial part of the decline in automobile output has been attributed to elimination of overtime work. Most Detroit sources believed that overtime in the auto plants would be largely eliminated during 1951. However, Buick has

## assembly line

Continued

scheduled Saturday operations. There is a possibility that at least one other General Motors division will work Saturdays. This is another indication that car producers will continue to turn out as many cars as they possibly can in the face of growing government-imposed restrictions.

**Chrysler Croning**—In the Chrysler show a small pump casting was on exhibit made by the so-called Croning or shell mold precision casting method. Thus, Chrysler publicly joins Ford and General Motors in what promises to be the most important foundry development during the postwar period. (THE IRON AGE, Aug. 3, 1950.)

**Rambler Gets Decorated**—The 1951 Nash Rambler convertible has been awarded the "Modern Designs" citation for "general excellence in mechanical design." In bestowing the award on Meade F. Moore, Nash director of research, the new Nash front suspension that "reduces the unsprung weight and gives superior riding qualities in a shorter wheelbase automobile" was specifically cited.

**Metal-Coated Plastic**—Another interesting Chrysler exhibit was a plastic part plated with chromium. Just how the plating is accomplished was not disclosed but it is believed that electricity conductors are present in the plastic itself. No surface coating is necessary, according to Chrysler engineers.

**Chrysler "Make Ready"**—K. T. Keller, chairman of the board, indicated that Chrysler Corp. spent \$50 million for "make ready" and tooling of its 1951 models. In addition to tooling the new engine and transmission for its 1951 models, Chrysler made many body changes requiring new dies for the fenders, top, grille and other formed parts. At the last minute, the die for the front corner post was

scrapped to make possible the use of a narrower design.

**One-Finger Steering**—Hit of the Chrysler Show as far as the customers were concerned was power steering which reduces steering effort by nine-tenths. The pressure of one finger and the guidance of the thumb is all that is required to rotate the wheel. Hydraguide Power Steering will be available on all 1951 Chrysler Imperial and New Yorker models.

Price has not been announced but it is expected to be in the \$125 to \$150 range. Incidentally, most observers here predict power steering will be adopted by Cadillac and perhaps other GM divisions in 1952.

**Available Immediately**—The new Chrysler Fire Power V-8 engines will be available immediately in all Chrysler, New Yorker and Imperial models. Power steering will also be used on these models. No announcement was made last week about the Chrysler torque converter which, incidentally, re-

quires a considerable amount of aluminum, a metal which will be taken heavily by defense.

**Four Traveler Models**—The Kaiser Traveler for 1951 will be available in four new models. With the rear panel open and the tail gate extended, the cargo capacity has been increased to 105½ cu ft. Floor area is 108 x 46 in. The spare tire is recessed into the floor. The Traveler, which doubles as a special purpose vehicle for ambulance, farm and sales work, is generally lower in price than station wagons which are often used for the same purpose.

**Study Gear Failures**—Gear design is an uncommon cause of failure in service, J. O. Almen, General Motors Research Laboratories consultant, told the Society of Automotive Engineers recently. Almen disclosed that in GM Research Laboratories more than 2 million gear histories were examined but only 100,000 failures could be attributed directly to design.

## THE BULL OF THE WOODS

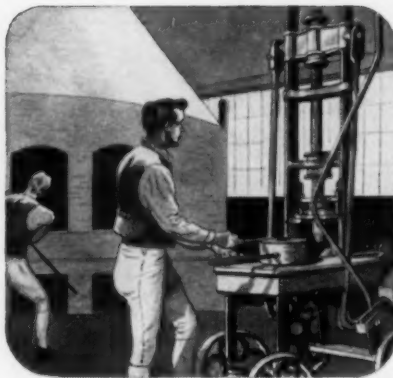
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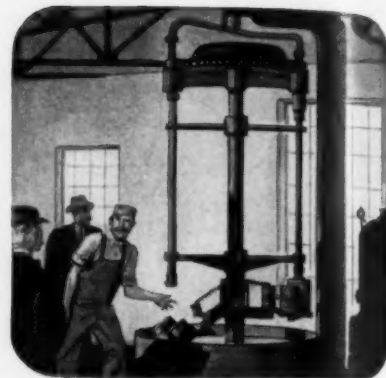




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*digest of  
far west  
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*by R.T. Reinhardt*



**Who Is Going to Do What?**—Though the powers-that-be are loath to reveal who has applied for certificates of necessity to construct steel plants, it is known at least two applications are on file from western interests.

One unidentified group has applied for its certificate to construct a 1,200,000 ton capacity steel plant in central California claiming to have a deposit of 80 million tons of 64 pct iron ore in reserve.

**Steel Plant in Nevada?**—Another group claiming to control important iron ore deposits in Nevada is seeking to build an integrated steel plant in that state.

While conceded that western steel capacity is lagging behind even normal consumption, some steelmen argue that neither of these projects would be economically feasible. However, many steelmen held similar views in the early 1940's in regard to the Kaiser operation at Fontana.

**Jittery Scrap**—While western members of the scrap trade were attending the 23rd annual convention of the Institute of Scrap, Iron & Steel in New York last week, the California scrap market began to bubble and boil.

Although mills are still quoting an offering price of \$30.00 per ton for No. 1 heavy melting in San

Francisco and Los Angeles, considerable tonnages have moved at prices up to \$34.00 per ton. Apparently the larger mills have been able to meet requirements at the lower figures but independents have had to go higher.

Particularly noteworthy has been an advance in the price of railroad scrap from transcontinental lines which has gone up to \$46.00 per ton. Previously this grade was available at the current price of No. 1 heavy and is still available at that figure from railroads without transcontinental connections. Lines such as the Santa Fe and Southern Pacific can readily and economically haul their western scrap to Chicago where the current price is in the neighborhood of \$45.00 per ton.

**Awkward Spot**—This puts western buyers in the awkward position of having to pay practically the Chicago price for railroad scrap or else see it leave this territory which is already pressed for metallics.

Western scrap dealers fully expect price freezes and hope they will be in the neighborhood of \$35.00 per ton for No. 1 heavy, approximately twice the OPA figure during the last freeze. On the other hand, buyers are hoping for and anticipate a price in the neighborhood of \$30.00 a ton.

In Los Angeles, scrap dealers

are having a problem holding crane operators now being paid \$1.50 per hour while contractors working for the government are paying as high as \$2.35 per hour. This situation is cited as further justification for higher prices.

**May Boost Aluminum Production**—Aluminum producers in the Pacific Northwest may not much longer be faced with the need to curtail production because power supplied on an interruptible basis is periodically denied them.

If Congress approves the order of the Secretary of the Interior for the construction of a 140-mile high voltage transmission line connecting the Columbia Basin Power grid with that of the California Central Valley Project, 100,000 kilowatts of BPA power would be firmed up.

Bonneville now has an interruptible load of about 250,000 kilowatts, most of which is supplied to aluminum reduction plants in Washington and Oregon.

**Kaiser Magnesium**—Practically the same personnel will be in charge of production of magnesium at the Manteca, Calif., plant, to be reactivated in July by Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp., that handled its operation during the past war. This unit has a rated capacity of 20 million lbs of magnesium metal per year.

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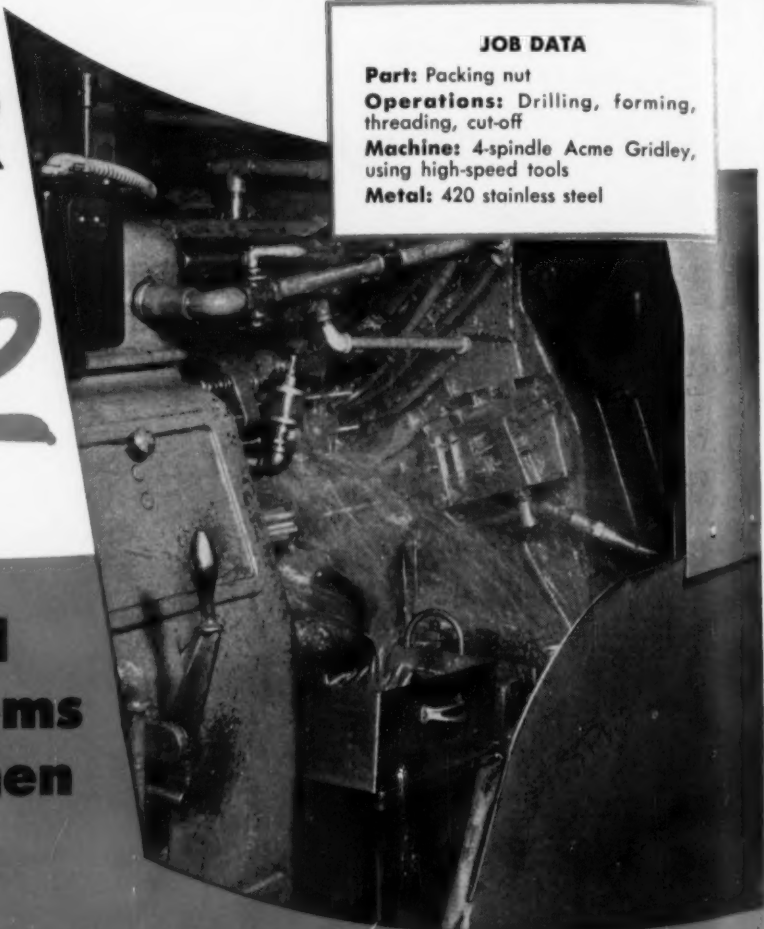
## JOB DATA

**Part:** Packing nut

**Operations:** Drilling, forming, threading, cut-off

**Machine:** 4-spindle Acme Gridley, using high-speed tools

**Metal:** 420 stainless steel



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# the federal view

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by Eugene J. Hardy



**Trial CMP**—A "trial run" for a Controlled Materials Plan is in the works at the Defense Dept. and NPA. The Munitions Board has reportedly asked the Army, Navy, and Air Force to have ready by Feb. 15, requirements for basic raw materials so that a start on CMP can be made. Extent of the "trial run" or the materials covered has not been revealed.

NPA says that a complete CMP for nonferrous metals is likely to come first. It is estimated that if complete allocation of steel under CMP were decided upon now, it would be fourth quarter 1951 before a staff could be ready to administer it.

**Terminated Contracts** — The World War II hassle over final review of terminated contracts is up again and this time Controller General Lindsay Warren who lost his earlier battle for review appears to have won the first round. The Defense Dept. has circulated to industry its proposed contract termination section of the Armed Services Procurement Regulations. The section does not contain a "finality" clause which means that a terminated contract agreed to by the firm involved and the contracting officer will not be final, but subject to further audit by Mr. Warren's General Accounting Office.

Mr. Warren has groused about losing his fight for review in the latter stages of World War II when

he carried the fight before key Congressional Committees. Industry can be expected to go to Congress again, for GAO review of terminated contracts only means interminable delay.

**Tax Battle Looms**—Despite talk from the White House, generated by the Council of Economic Advisers, of a tax boost this year amounting to between \$20 and \$25 billion, Congress will not enact any such program, barring all-out war.

Top Treasury officials privately admit that there is little hope of gaining any more than \$10 billion additional in taxes to ward off an estimated deficit of \$16.5 billion. It is also likely that Congress will not enact a tax measure before mid-1951 at the earliest, despite White House screams for haste. Congress is none too happy about inclusion of the whole Fair Deal program in the Budget Message.

**Government Plants** — President Truman has followed up his recommendation for new legislation authorizing direct Government construction of industrial facilities with a budget estimate of \$1.2 billion to cover this and other items. Even if Congress does not approve such Government construction a large portion of this amount will be used for loans, long-term purchase contracts, incentive payments, and government equipment for installation in defense plants.

**Control Funds Up**—Budget estimates of \$330 million dollars for administration of economic controls indicate the extent to which controls will be imposed during the coming fiscal year. Currently, the control agencies are operating under a \$30 million appropriation and there is a request before Congress for an additional \$10 million.

While the amount requested for fiscal year 1952 is about ten times greater than existing appropriations, it is still well below World War II totals when the peak was greater than \$2 billion. The \$330 million is also about twice the amount granted OPA at its peak, although this sum is designed to cover all existing control agencies.

**Point 4 Changes**—The Administration's "Point 4" program of aid for underdeveloped areas of the world is changing direction as a result of the expanded mobilization effort. It is now being termed a security program for these areas which will be expected to speed up production of strategic materials in return for technical aid and dollars. Previously, the State Dept. regarded the program as an almost sacred universal "uplift" society and had rejected any idea of getting materials in return for this type of aid. The policy had been guided by the feeling that getting something in return would serve to "destroy the atmosphere."

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## The role of Scrap in Steel Making

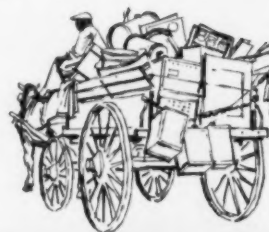
One of the most important raw materials in steelmaking . . . one frequently underrated by the casual observer . . . is iron and steel scrap. With over 90% of all the steel in the U. S. being made by the open hearth process, the scrap used by steel producers totals approximately 50,000,000 tons each year.

The open hearth method of steel production is geared to a pig iron scrap consumption ratio of roughly 50-50. This is to the final advantage of the steel user, since a large scrap diet in steelmaking results in a number of benefits: (a) steel is made faster (since scrap has already been "refined" once before, the "melt" time in the open hearth is decreased); (b) vital raw materials are conserved (it takes almost 4 tons of iron ore, coal and limestone to make a ton of pig iron); (c) unless scrap prices are abnormally high, the price of steel is cheaper; (d) steel is of higher quality (since scrap has already undergone one refining process); (e) transportation facilities, instead of being used for the additional raw materials otherwise required, can be released for other uses; (f) steel mill capacities can be expanded more readily with less emphasis on the blast furnace and more on open hearths and rolling mills.

About two-thirds of the scrap consumed in making steel comes from the steel mills themselves. Crop ends and sheared edges move quickly back to the open hearth shop. The remaining third, flowing to the mills largely through the 6,500 scrap dealers in the U.S., comes from the wastage in metal working plants ("production" scrap), auto graveyards, old building, bridge and ship wrecking projects, railroads (worn rails, freight cars, etc.), neighborhood junk peddlers.

The scrap dealers must sort the scrap so that the undesirables are eliminated, the alloys segregated and the right kinds of scrap can be delivered in large tonnages to the mills for most efficient steelmaking practice.

Today, with steel production at record peaks and with capacity continually expanding, it is more important than ever to keep scrap flowing back to the steel mills from every source. Everyone waiting for steel can help himself by assisting the movement of his scrap through his regular channels.



### THE SCRAP CYCLE





## CONTINUOUS CASTING PROCESS

EMPLOYS A

# *moving mold*

Each year sees more ideas and patents added to the files on continuous casting. Some are new approaches, but basically most are improvements or refinements of existing or expired patents. The Hazelett process is not new (THE IRON AGE, March 21, 1935, and April 11, 1940, p. 44). The former Hazelett machines are no longer in use.

A moving mold rather than a stationary or oscillating mold has been the aim of C. William Hazelett of Hazelett Strip Casting Process Co. for years. The latest design, which is 7 machines and 15 years later from the first unit Hazelett ever built, is shown in Fig. 1. The

mold consists of two steel belts revolving over drum pulleys. The outside of the belt mold wall is shower-cooled with water. Molten metal is introduced into the cavity between the two belts and it solidifies and moves forward with the belts through the mill. The speed of the pilot plant mill in Fig. 1 varies from 27 to 35 fpm and a number of aluminum slabs 9 x ½ in., weighing 25 lb, have been cast. These slabs have an excellent surface as shown in Fig. 2. The edges of these slabs are also smooth with a slight convex contour.

The process appears to be well suited for continuous casting of flat shapes in aluminum.



By D. I. BROWN  
Feature Editor



*Water-cooled steel bands traveling over drum pulleys form the mold in the latest Hazelett machine. The mill requires very little space and power requirements are very small. Production machines for brass and aluminum are under consideration.*

There is more work to be done on methods of introducing the metal into the mold. No attempt was made in trial runs to protect the aluminum from oxidation as the first aim was to establish that a sound section could be cast. Micros of one of the sections are shown in Fig. 3. The porosity and oxides, it is believed, can be eliminated by adding a suitable feeding device which will exclude air from the molten metal. A design for such a feeding method appears at the left of Fig. 4. The metal will thus be fed continuously into the concave mold section. The contours of the mold which hold the metal during solidification are of extreme importance. On p. 53 a scale model of the rolls and the metal band mold are shown. The convex rolls shape the metal band and this shape changes until a perfectly flat and rectangular section is produced prior to complete solidification of the metal throughout the section. These different mold contours are shown in the top righthand corner of Fig. 4.

#### **Mill Occupies Small Space**

The mill requires very little space. The pilot plant at Greenwich, Conn. occupies an area 15 x 15 ft square. This includes the controls, pumps, melting unit, etc. The control panel of the small unit is quite simple. Very little power is re-

quired. The mill shown in Fig. 1 employs a 1-hp motor to drive the moving mold and a 5-hp motor for pumping water at a rate of 400 gpm.

The mill is only 6 deg off horizontal which is an added advantage. Cast slabs can be cut with a regular shear or the continuously cast slab could be fed into a 4-high single stand hot mill for reduction into strip. Very probably a reheating furnace would be necessary so that the casting unit would not have to be confined and regulated to deliver a cast slab at precise rolling temperatures.

#### **Satisfactory Edging A Problem**

One of the big problems of the moving belt mold is satisfactory edging. The edge sides of the mold do not move in the present pilot model. The sides, called side dams, which appear in Fig. 4, are made of brass and are water-cooled. Although these dams have produced satisfactory edges, a movable side is being designed. Water which flows over both exterior sides of the metal belt is kept from overflowing the edge by a tight spring clip trough.

The tonnage which can be produced will not be known until a commercial installation is made. It is believed that a 28-in. wide mill could produce 40 to 100 tons of aluminum per hr, de-

FIG. 1—Pilot plant mill which has continuously cast aluminum and brass slabs.

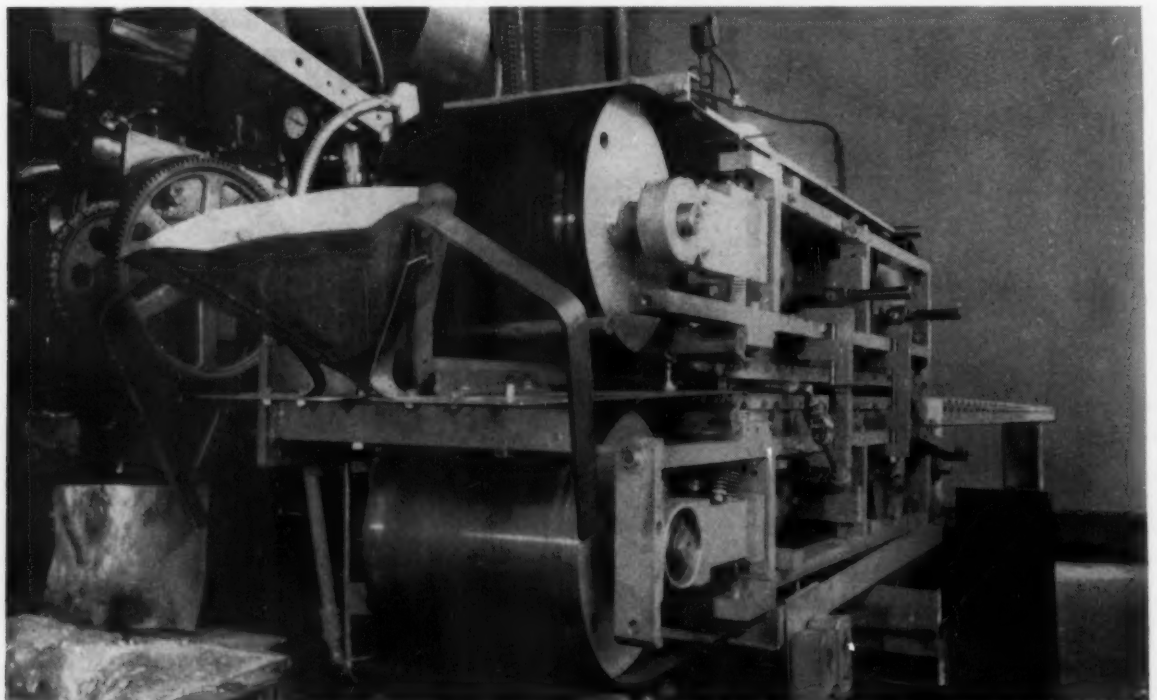




FIG. 2—As-cast surface of aluminum slab, shown at the delivery end of the mill. The remarkably good surface finish is typical; the photograph has not been retouched in any way.

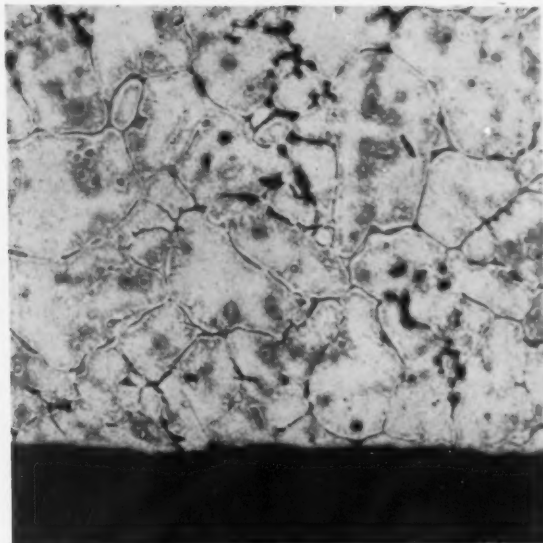


FIG. 3—Micro of cast aluminum shows porosity and oxide inclusions. These defects will be eliminated with proper protective feeding devices in production units. (120X.)

pendent on gage. Tonnage would vary inversely with the thickness and lineal production varies with the inverse square of the thickness of the slab. All parts of the Hazelett mill which control gage are water-cooled. Since no work (reduction) is done on the metal, very little power is needed to drive the mill.

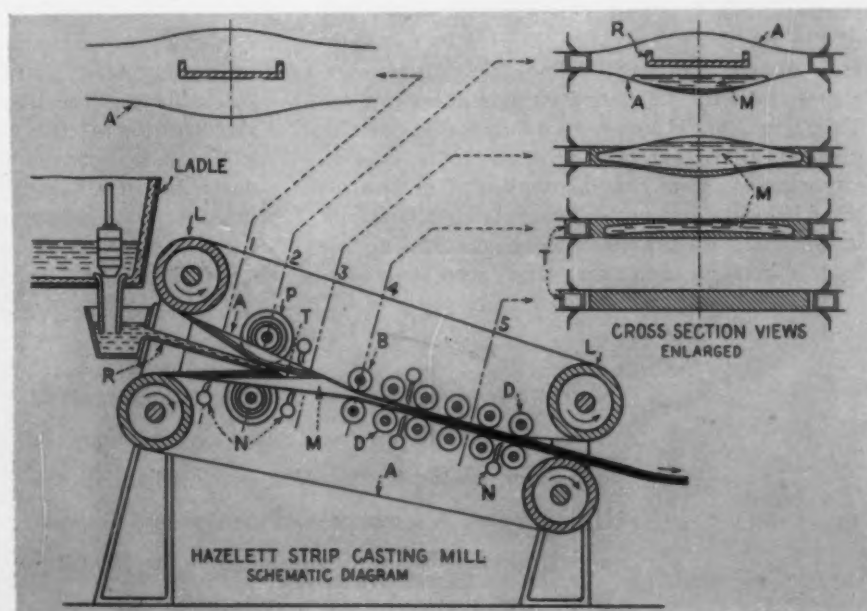
The cast slab chills quickly and like other continuous casting methods, uniform analysis across the slab can be expected. It is now evident that the old troubles of segregation and folding which Hazelett encountered on previous designs have

now been eliminated. Some thought has been given to casting of steel slabs with this machine but it is yet too early to tell if this can be done. There are problems of temperature and suitable refractories plus a lot of experimentation on speeds that must be made before the process can be evaluated for continuous casting steel sections. However, brass has been run through the machine and a production plant for 70-30 brass may be built this year. The process also has good possibilities for the casting of magnesium slabs.

FIG. 4—Schematic drawing of the Hazelett mill. A plug is inserted at X. This plug serves as a momentary dam to permit the metal to fill out the mold contour. The plug then

passes through the mill ahead of the cast slab. A cross-section of the feeding spout (R) appears at upper right in position relative to the mold contour.

- A Moving strip mold
- B First pressure or flat roll
- D Other flat work rolls
- L Drum pulleys over which steel band mold revolves
- M Molten aluminum in various stages of casting
- N Water supply nozzles
- P Concave pulleys which shape mold contour
- R Spout which introduces the metal into the mold
- T Water-cooled side dams which edge the cast slab



## German and American

# STAINLESS

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In April 1949, a *Stahl-Eisen-Werkstoffblatt* was published in Germany, standardizing the compositions of wrought stainless steels for the German industry. This listing is similar to the American Iron and Steel Institute classifications in this country, which provides American metallurgists with the familiar type numbers for stainless steels. Stainless steels were discovered and developed in Europe at the turn of this century,<sup>1</sup> spreading thereafter to America where they have attained world-wide records in production; a comparison of the current German and American standard listings is therefore both interesting and informative.<sup>2</sup>

Restricting attention to the wrought stainless steels, Tables I, II and III present a compilation of the standard analyses compiled in Germany and America in 1949. The tables are constructed with a view to matching similar grades. This is not always easy to do, and some of the groupings are entirely arbitrary. It is also important to note that a number of grades on the AISI list come under separate specifications in Germany on the basis of heat-resisting alloys, electrical resistors, and special steels.

Gaps in the tables therefore do not necessarily mean that a grade of a corresponding analysis is not made in Germany.

Because of shortages of nickel in Germany, particularly acute during World War II, manganese and nitrogen were substituted as austenitizing elements in the Class III (austenitic) grades. Some of the alloys are listed in Table IV. Results of the substitution were interesting; but these ersatz elements never did fully replace nickel, and they have been largely abandoned since the war. Table III lists the only standard German grade containing special additions of manganese; none contain nitrogen.

### Use Higher Manganese Ranges

Nickel in German analyses still reflects a shortage. AISI Class III steels show a considerably greater liberality, particularly when stabilization of the austenite is desirable.

Minor manganese contents in general, and particularly in Class III, tend to be much higher in America, a maximum of 1.0 pct in Classes I and II (martensitic and ferritic, respectively) and 2.0 pct in Class III, comparing with the

Currently-used compositions of wrought stainless steels have recently been standardized in Germany in a manner similar to the AISI classifications in the United States. A comparison of the standard German and American listings is interesting in an historical sense and informative from a technical viewpoint.



German range of 0.2 to 0.4 pct for all classes. These maximum specifications permit, but do not require, high manganese contents; nevertheless, the statement as made is proper in its broad reference. This is primarily the result of an importance placed by American metallurgists on the improvement of hot workability afforded by manganese in carbon steel—also its slightly austenitizing effect. German metallurgists are not as strongly impressed with the effect of manganese on hot workability so far as stainless steels are concerned, and the point is worth considering.

### Stabilizing Practice Differs

In stabilizing the Class III steels, German practice shows a number of distinctions: (a) tantalum is sometimes used, as well as titanium and columbium; (b) Class II steels are also often stabilized; (c) carbon contents of the stabilized grades tend to be higher than in American practice; (d) lower ratios of titanium and columbium to carbon are used, and (e) stabilization heat treatments are rarely administered to the stabilized grades.

The higher carbon content is attributable to the high cost of low-carbon ferrochromium, also to a scrap problem with regard to carbon pickup. Attention of German metallurgists, however, is on the recent procedure of decarburization by gaseous oxygen, which may allow a change in stabilization practice. As for the stabilization heat treatment, they do not regard its importance as having been demonstrated.

A proportion of ferrite is often preferred in German Class III steels as a guard against sensitization. They find that the presence of 10 to 20 pct of ferrite causes no appreciable

change in mechanical properties, and in addition provides a surprisingly rapid recovery from sensitization. For example, a steel containing 22.6 pct Cr, 10.2 pct Ni, and 0.09 pct C—15 pct ferritic—developed sensitization in 1 hr at 600°C (1110°F); but after 50 hr at this temperature, sensitization had vanished.

This, they explain, is the result of diffusion of chromium from the ferrite, which by thermodynamic definition is chromium-rich with respect to accompanying austenite. American practice has hesitated to utilize a presence of ferrite, because ferrite (a) is subject to embrittlement in the range of 400° to 550°C (752° to 1022°F) (475° embrittlement), (b) is susceptible to embrittlement from sigma phase in the temperature range 600° to 950°C, (1112° to 1742°F) (c) is definitely disadvantageous to hot workability, (d) lowers creep resistance, and (e) probably favors stress-corrosion cracking.

### Molybdenum More Widely Used

Molybdenum is much more widely used in Germany, being added to numerous alloys in all three classes, and particularly in Class III (see Table III). Molybdenum in stainless steel was an original German development, first patented in 1910 by the top discoverer of stainless steel—P. Monnartz<sup>1</sup>—and the use of that metal received a second impetus in its home country during the recent war. German practice rarely if ever uses the molybdenum grades for high-temperature service, whereupon embrittlement from sigma phase is not important. AISI Types 316 and 317 carry more molybdenum than the corresponding German grades; but for piercing operations German steels carry a

TABLE I

### CLASS I—MARTENSITIC

German Steel			Analysis in Pct of Weight						
No.	Name	AISI No.	C	Cr	Ni	Mo	Mn	Si	Other Elements
4001	X10 Cr 13.....	403	<0.15	11.5-13.0	.....	.....	<1.00	<0.50	.....
		410	<0.15	11.5-13.5	.....	.....	<1.00	<1.00	.....
		(410-C)	<0.12	12.5-13.5	.....	.....	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	.....
			( $\approx$ 0.20)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4021	X20 Cr 13.....	.....	0.17-0.22	12.5-13.5	.....	.....	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	.....
*4120	X20 Cr Mo 13.....	414	0.17-0.22	12.5-13.5	1.25-2.5	1.0-1.3	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	.....
		416	<0.15	11.5-13.5	.....	.....	<1.00	<1.00	.....
		418	<0.15	12.0-14.0	.....	.....	<1.25	<1.00	P, S, Se > 0.07; Zr, Mo 0.50
		420	<0.15	12.0-14.0	.....	.....	<1.00	<1.00	.....
4034	X40 Cr 13.....	.....	0.38-0.43	12.5-13.5	.....	.....	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	.....
*4122	X35 Cr Mo 17.....	431	0.38-0.40	16.0-17.0	1.25-2.5	1.0-1.3	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	.....
		.....	<0.20	15.0-17.0	.....	.....	<1.00	<1.00	.....
4087	X22 Cr Ni 17.....	440-A	0.20-0.25	16.5-17.5	1.3-1.8	.....	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	.....
		440-B	0.60-0.75	16.0-16.0	.....	<0.75	<1.00	<1.00	.....
		440-C	0.75-0.95	16.0-16.0	.....	<0.75	<1.00	<1.00	.....
		440-C	0.95-1.20	16.0-16.0	.....	<0.75	<1.00	<1.00	.....
*4112	X90 Cr Mo V.....	.....	0.95-0.95	17.5-18.5	.....	1.0-1.3	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	0.07-0.12 V

\* Classified as special steels; the others are for general application.

higher molybdenum content than the American.

Free-machining modifications are much more widely explored and exploited in America. Germany seems still in the "sulfur stage," compared to our developments with selenium and the several combinations among sulfur, selenium, phosphorous, zirconium and molybdenum. Class III alloys containing silicon are more widely used in Germany, particularly for welding and for protection against pit corrosion.

#### Germans Lack Some U. S. 400 Grades

The following alloys, considered important in America, apparently remain more or less unused in Germany: (a) free-machining modifications of Types 410, 420, 440, 302, (b) free-spinning Type 305, (c) free-machining grades containing selenium, (d) Type 405, ferritized with an aluminum addition (3) 12-2 compositions, such as Type 414.

On the other hand, Germany utilizes: (a) partly ferritic Class III grades, besides that containing manganese, (b) austenites sometimes having additions of nitrogen, (c) a 12-12 analysis similar to that used in England, (d) a hardenable Class I analysis containing vanadium, (e) some special stabilized grades, particularly distinctive in Class II, (f) novel compositions employing molybdenum additions in all three classes.

In Class I compositions, manganese and silicon specifications are considerably lower for German alloys, the maximum of their specification being less than customary minimums for actual American analyses. The German Nos. 4021 and 4120 do not correspond to any standard American grade, but are similar to the nonstandard analysis sometimes referred to as Type 410-C. The Germans have therefore publicly recognized the necessity for an alloy intermediate between AISI Types 410 and 420

—a matter of some current concern in America. Their addition of more than 1 pct Mo to one of the twin listed alloys may deserve a continuation of our brief wartime notice given a similar steel.<sup>3</sup>

#### Germans Use No Free-Machining Class I's

No free-machining analyses are listed in the German standards for Class I. Their No. 4122 is unlike any American analysis, combining the carbon content of Type 420 with the chromium content of Type 440, and containing in addition more than 1 pct Mo.

The nickeliferous No. 4057 and Type 431 are virtually identical, but Germany lists no 12-2 analysis such as the American Type 414. The well-established series of three Type 440 steels in the American listing is represented by only one analysis in Germany, and that containing 1 pct Mo, also 0.1 pct V.

Regarding the Class II alloys, Germany apparently does not utilize an aluminum addition in the Type 410 analysis to prevent full hardening and thereby improve weldability in services where transformation stresses are advisably avoided—our Type 405. The grade containing several percent of aluminum, Type 406, would be listed in Germany under another classification.

#### U. S. and German 430 Types Vary

Type 430, one of the most prominent of all stainless steels in America, shows the following interesting contrasts with two corresponding German analyses: (a) titanium in proportions exceeding 7x pct C is added to both of the German steels; (b) one of these contains in addition nearly 2 pct Mo; (c) the chromium specifications of the German alloys allow no latitude at all in choosing ferrite-austenite proportions, while American practice allows freedom to choose a particular steel within this specification having strength at the cost of some corrosion resistance (low-chromium side),

TABLE II

#### CLASS II—FERRITIC

German Steel			Analysis in Pct of Weight					
No.	Name	AISI No.	C	Cr	Mo	Mn	Si	Other Elements
4501	X8 Cr Ti 17.....	406	<0.08	11.5-13.5	.....	<1.00	<1.00	0.10-0.30 Al
		406	<0.15	12.0-14.0	.....	<1.00	<1.00	3.5-4.5 Al
		430	<0.12	14.0-18.0	.....	<1.00	<1.00	.....
		.....	<0.10	17.0-18.0	.....	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	Ti >7 x Pct C
4523	X8 Cr Mo Ti 17.....	.....	<0.10	16.5-17.5	1.0-1.9	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	Ti >7 x Pct C
		430-F	<0.12	14.0-18.0	.....	<1.25	<1.00	P, S, Se >0.07; Zr, Mo <0.00
4104	X12 Cr Mo S 17.....	.....	0.10-0.15	16.0-17.0	0.2-0.3	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	0.15-0.25 S
.....	.....	446	<0.35	23.0-27.0	.....	<1.00	<1.00	N <0.25
*4526	X12 Cr Mo Ti 25.....	.....	<0.15	24.0-26.0	2.3-2.6	0.2-0.4	0.8-1.0	1.5-2.0 Ti

\* Classified as special steels; the others are for general application.

TABLE III

## CLASS III—AUSTENITIC

German Steel		AISI No.	Analysis in Pct of Weight						
No.	Name		C	Cr	Ni	Mo	Mn	Si	Other Elements
4300	X12 Cr Ni 18-8 .....	301	0.08-0.20	16.0-18.0	8.0-9.0	.....	<2.00	<1.00	.....
		302	0.08-0.20	17.0-19.0	8.0-10.0	.....	<2.00	<1.00	.....
		302-B	<0.15	17.5-18.5	8.0-9.0	.....	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	.....
4330	X8 Cr Ni Si 18-8 .....	.....	0.08-0.20	17.0-19.0	8.0-10.0	.....	<2.00	2.0-3.0	.....
		303	<0.10	17.5-18.5	8.0-9.0	.....	0.2-0.4	1.5-2.5	.....
		304	<0.15	17.0-19.0	8.0-10.0	.....	<2.00	<1.00	P, S, Se >0.07; Zr, Mo <0.00
4301	X8 Cr Ni 18-8 .....	.....	<0.08	18.0-20.0	8.0-11.0	.....	<2.00	<1.00	.....
		305	<0.07	17.5-18.5	9.0-10.0	.....	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	.....
		306	<0.12	17.0-19.0	10.0-13.0	.....	<2.00	<1.00	.....
4401	X8 Cr Ni Mo 18-10 .....	.....	<0.08	19.0-21.0	10.0-12.0	.....	<2.00	<1.00	.....
		309	<0.20	22.0-24.0	12.0-15.0	.....	<2.00	<1.00	.....
		310	<0.25	24.0-26.0	18.0-22.0	.....	<2.00	<1.00	.....
4413	X8 Cr Ni Mo Si 18-8 .....	.....	<0.25	23.0-26.0	19.0-22.0	.....	<2.00	1.5-5.0	.....
		314	<0.10	18.0-19.0	10.0-14.0	2.0-3.0	<2.00	<1.00	.....
		316	<0.10	18.0-19.0	10.0-14.0	2.0-3.0	<2.00	<1.00	.....
4401	X8 Cr Ni Mo 18-10 .....	.....	<0.07	17.5-18.5	10.0-11.0	1.8-2.2	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	.....
		4401	<0.12	17.5-18.5	10.0-11.0	1.8-2.2	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	Ti >4 x Ppt C
		4401	<0.12	17.5-18.5	10.0-11.0	1.8-2.2	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	Cb >8 x Ppt C
4413	X8 Cr Ni Mo Si 18-8 .....	.....	<0.10	17.5-18.5	9.0-10.0	1.8-2.2	0.2-0.4	2.0-2.5	.....
		317	<0.10	18.0-20.0	11.0-14.0	3.0-4.0	<2.00	<1.00	.....
4440	X8 Cr Ni Mo 17-13 .....	.....	<0.07	16.5-17.5	12.5-13.5	4.8-5.0	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	.....
		321	<0.08	17.0-19.0	8.0-11.0	.....	<2.00	<1.00	Ti >5 x Ppt C
		347	<0.12	17.5-18.5	9.0-10.0	.....	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	Ti >4 x Ppt C
4441	X10 Cr Ni Ti 18-8 .....	.....	<0.08	17.0-19.0	9.0-12.0	.....	<2.00	<1.00	Cb >10 x Ppt C
		.....	<0.12	17.5-18.5	9.0-10.0	.....	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	Cb >8 x Ppt C
		.....	<0.10	12.0-13.0	11.5-12.5	.....	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	.....
4560	X12 Mn Cr 18-10 .....	.....	<0.15	9.5-10.5	0.7-0.9	0.4-0.6	17.0-19.0	0.3-0.5	.....
		4211	<0.07	17.0-18.0	17.0-18.0	1.8-2.2	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	1.8-2.2 Cu
		4560	<0.07	17.0-18.0	17.0-18.0	1.8-2.2	0.2-0.4	0.3-0.5	.....

\* Classified as special steels; the others are for general application.

or corrosion resistance at the cost of some strength (high-chromium side); (d) carbon is kept a little lower in the German alloys because of the titanium addition; and (e) manganese and silicon contents are, as usual, lower in the German alloys.

The free-machining Type 430-F, produced in America with various free-machining additions as shown in Table II, is listed in Germany only for an addition of sulfur. Their carbon specification is also slightly different, setting a minimum at 0.10 pct and allowing additions somewhat higher than in American practice. Also, 0.25 pct Mo is added. Still further distinctions are essentially those given for the Type 430 analysis.

The high-chromium alloy, Type 446, commonly used in this country with no significant additions other than nitrogen for grain refining, is matched in Germany only by an alloy of considerably greater complexity. Their No. 4526: (a) has an addition of approximately 2 pct Ti, (b) contains 2.5 pct Mo, (c) has its silicon raised from the usual German 0.3 to 0.5 pct up towards 1 pct, (d) continues its low manganese level, in contrast to the augmented maximum of 1.5 pct in the American analysis, (e) restricts the carbon content to a maximum of 0.15 pct.

The table on Class III alloys is particularly interesting because of the important historical position of German metallurgists in the development of austenitic stainless steels.<sup>1</sup> The blanks in the German listing for our Types 308,

309, 310 and 314 should not be construed to mean an absence of similar compositions in Germany. Their comparable alloys would be listed elsewhere for heat-resisting applications.

#### U. S. Type 301 Not Used in Germany

The highly work-hardening Type 301 (17-7), having fairly wide usefulness in America, is not important in German practice. Their No. 4300, the analogue of our Type 302, is the popular 18-8 originally developed in Germany. Their current practice shows (a) a greater restriction in the respective ranges for carbon, chromium and nickel, (b) a generally lower silicon content, and (c) a considerably lower manganese content. This latter follows from their disregard for the effect of manganese on hot workability, also on austenite stability.

The German siliconized 18-8, No. 4330, is similar to AISI Type 302-B, differing in (a) the lower manganese content, (b) a lower carbon content, (c) a narrower specification for chromium, and (d) a lower limit on nickel. The German listing shows no analogue for America's popular free-machining grade, Type 303. Our 18-8 with specially low carbon—Type 304, also "ELC"—is closely matched by the German No. 4301, differing only in manganese and silicon contents, and in closer specifications on chromium and nickel.

A free-spinning analysis, similar to our Type 305, does not appear in the German listing. It is likely that the shortage of nickel in that country hinders the usefulness of an alloy



whose low rate of work-hardening is largely the result of an aggravated nickel content.

### Mo Abundant in German Class III's

Molybdenum, abundantly added to German stainless steels, appears in a particularly large number of their Class III modifications. The basic analysis of most of these rather closely approaches Type 316. The distinctions are: (a) closer specifications for all additions, (b) molybdenum on the low side near 2.0 pct (a practice also used by some in America), (c) a lower manganese content, (d) considerably lower nickel maximums, (e) lower silicon contents, except in No. 4413, which is a specially siliconized grade. The additions of titanium and columbium to Nos. 4571 and 4580 correspond to American practice for nonstandardized modifications of Type 316, except that the titanium and columbium to carbon ratio is greater in this country. The very low maximum of 0.07 pct C in No. 4401 warrants some attention.

Alloys of higher molybdenum content, such as our Type 317, are represented in Germany by No. 4449, which allows one of the highest nickel additions in any of their grades. Compared to Type 317, their steel has a higher molybdenum content, a lower carbon maximum, less chromium, and the usual lower manganese and silicon contents. Stabilized austenites containing titanium and columbium, analogous to our Types 321 and 347, show as their principal difference a slightly higher carbon maximum and a lower ratio of stabilizing element to total carbon content. Nickel contents are also lower, as well as manganese and silicon.

### Two German Special Grades Popular

Among the special grades produced as standard stainless steels in Germany, two of them are virtually without analogue in this country. No. 4307 is the 12-12 analysis generally popular abroad, but receiving little attention over here. Their No. 4211 is the only high-manganese analysis on the postwar listing. Compare this

with the listing in Table II. The chromium content of this alloy actually falls below the minimum required for "stainless" behavior in most service. Their No. 4595 is the elaborate molybdenum-copper Class III steel, comparable to some of the nonstandard grades studied in this country by Climax Molybdenum Co. This resembles Carpenter No. 20, except for the lower nickel analysis of the German steel.

In place of previous common chemical means, the Germans are now strongly leaning toward electrochemical methods for quantitative measurement of activation and passivation behavior. The process is essentially the one developed by Hittorf in that country half a century ago, involving measurement of anodic current density v. potential. The procedure, now adopted by Krupp, discloses three ranges of behavior; (1) normally active, (2) passivated, and (3) depassivated (breakdown of passivation). The data allow excellent systematization of both reagents and steels, with some particularly interesting results for  $H_2SO_4$ .

### Study Stress-corrosion Cracking

During recent years, the phenomenon of stress-corrosion cracking has attracted attention in both countries.<sup>4</sup> German metallurgists relate stress-corrosion cracking to stability of austenite, more stable alloys being less sensitive. They find that coldworking decreases the corrosion-cracking resistance of stable austenite, but may actually increase that of unstable austenite—through electrochemical protection afforded by precipitated martensite. In their opinion, the intracrystalline phenomenon of stress-corrosion cracking has no relationship to sensitization. They find that Class II steels are also subject to the defect, but that the level of stress necessary for the phenomenon is too high to allow it to become important for most operating conditions.

Phosphorous has been found to counteract sensitization, probably because of its ferritizing tendency; but the observation has not resulted in any commercial application. Vanadium has been found to be ineffective as a carbide stabilizer, an addition as high as 25 pct still showing no inhibition of sensitization. Similar to opinions expressed in this country, particularly by Uhlig and Wulff, German metallurgists believe that pit corrosion does not necessarily relate to inclusions or visible inhomogeneities within the steel, but that it is a function of more subtle factors.

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TABLE IV  
NONSTANDARD GERMAN GRADES

C	Cr	Ni	Mo	Mn	N
0.07	20	5.0	.....	.....	0.25
0.07	20	5.5	1.2	.....	0.25
0.07	20	6.0	2.2	.....	0.25
0.10	15	1.5	.....	8	0.10
0.10	15	1.5	.....	14	0.10
0.10	19	1.5	.....	9	.....
0.10	20	1.5	.....	9	0.20

*Three multiple-station automatic machines have increased output per manhour by more than 150 pct in machining Ford carburetor diecastings. On one casting, two machines do work which formerly required five machines and five operators. Savings in floor space, materials handling and labor costs result.*

## **AUTOMATICS** machine diecastings 150 pct faster



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**C**omplete revision of the machining lineup on the two major zinc alloy diecastings used in Ford carburetors has increased output per man-hour by more than 150 pct at the Milford, Mich., plant of Ford Motor Co. These two castings are the main body and its mating air horn.

Formerly, the body machining required a row of five machines each having its own operator. Total output of the five machines was 1800 per 8-hr day. Now two machines, one 12-station and one 8-station, with one operator each, process 1600 carburetor bodies in 8 hr. A similar machine having 12 stations handles corresponding operations on the air horn. All three of the new machines are Morris vertical center column types in which most of the tools are supported from a common main head. These tools are lifted vertically before indexings occur and then are fed down simultaneously for the next set of operations. In some cases side or angle tools are also used.

### **Several Faces Can Be Machined**

Each machine has one fixture per station. Each fixture is unloaded and reloaded and the workpiece is clamped by hand at the front station. It then progresses around horizontally, stopping at each successive station and finally returning to the front station with all machining except light burring completed. During some of the indexings, the fixtures are turned

to bring a new portion of the casting in line with the tools. As a result, machining can be done on two sides, one end, and on top and bottom faces.

Where side heads are required, the tools in these are actuated by inter-connection with the main head of the machine, being fed inward as the latter feeds down and retracting when the main head retracts. Thus, all tools in effect are interlocked. Their motion depends upon that of the main head, which is raised between indexings and is lowered as the tools are fed into the workpieces at each machining station.

In indexing to the first working station in the first Morris machine, the fixture is turned 90°, as can be seen in Fig. 1. The table indexes automatically when the locking wrench is drawn back.

### **Some Heads Utilize High-Speed Motors**

At station No. 2, the first working station on the 12-station machine, the pump chamber outlet hole is produced with a No. 40 drill. Four 8-32 and five 10-32 screw holes are also tapped using a multiple reversing tapping head. Another 10-32 hole is tapped at station No. 3, a No. 41 gun drill produces a pump outlet cross-hole and a No. 28 drill, fed in by a high-speed angular head, drills an economizer hole to depth.

A pump rod hole is reamed and counterbored at station No. 4. Also at this station an econo-



FIG. 1—Locking a body casting in a fixture at the loading station of a 12-station Morris machine. In left background is first working station. During indexing fixture has rocked 90° to bring up proper face for machining at this station. Indexing occurs automatically when locking tool is retracted.

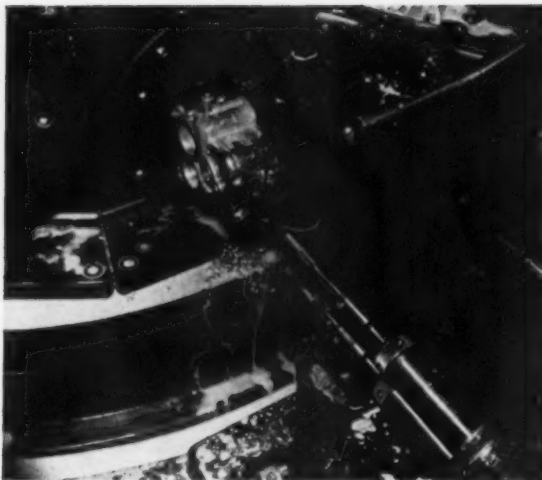


FIG. 2—Though most tools are mounted on the main vertical slide, these machines use some side heads. At this station, two stepped taps are driven by side heads.

FIG. 3—The final operation on the first machine handling body diecastings includes these tools: a step reamer, two inserted-blade reamers, and a rotary file or burring tool. The latter tool, given a compound motion by a cam, burrs an internal surface.



## Diecasting machining

Continued

mizer body and two ejector pin marks are spot-faced and two No. 1 drills break out flash for throttle body screw holes. At station No. 5, cross drilling is done with one No. 41 drill fed to depth on a hole leading to the pump discharge and a step drill is applied to metering jet holes. A No. 59 drill, driven at 10,000 rpm by a high speed motor, produces an economizer metering hole.

Step drilling of a piston pump discharge hole and producing a pickup hole with a No. 90 drill is done at station No. 6. Then, at station No. 7, comes cross drilling with a No. 28 drill, to produce an economizer hole to depth, in an angular head. Spot-facing of two ejector pin marks, tapping of an economizer hole and a throttle body screw hole, are the operations at station No. 8.

### Step Drills And Taps Used

At station No. 9 comes drilling of an economizer metering hole with a No. 59 drill in an angular head and drilling a No. 30 hole through the piston pump chamber. Then, at station No. 10, two No. 40 drills are used to clean out idler passage holes and two drills clean out the idler jet holes. Also used is a step drill for a pump chamber inlet hole, and a ball check seat is produced with a No. 50 drill.

At station No. 11 two step taps, Fig. 2, are used at main jet holes to produce threads for jet plugs. A No. 40 drill also makes a pickup hole.

Step reaming is done on pump chamber holes and two venturi holes are reamed at station No. 12, Fig. 3. Also used at this station is a rotary filer or burring tool. This tool is given a compound motion by a cam, first feeding down through a clearance hole, then radially part way into a side hole, and then vertically again to burr edges at the hole intersection. These motions are reversed in withdrawing the tool.

### Machining Completed On Second Machine

After inspection, body castings go to the 8-station Morris machine to perform operations at points not accessible in the 12-station setup. After loading at station No. 1 of the second machine and indexing to station No. 2, a form or step drill is applied. At its end is a countersink. This tool is guided by a roller bearing bushing. Then, at station No. 3, a No. 42 drill starts a hole. At station No. 4 a drill in a horizontal head produces a hole and a vertical head using a step-drill produces another hole and counterbores it part way.

Station No. 5 includes burring from a horizontal head and use of a No. 42 gun drill in a



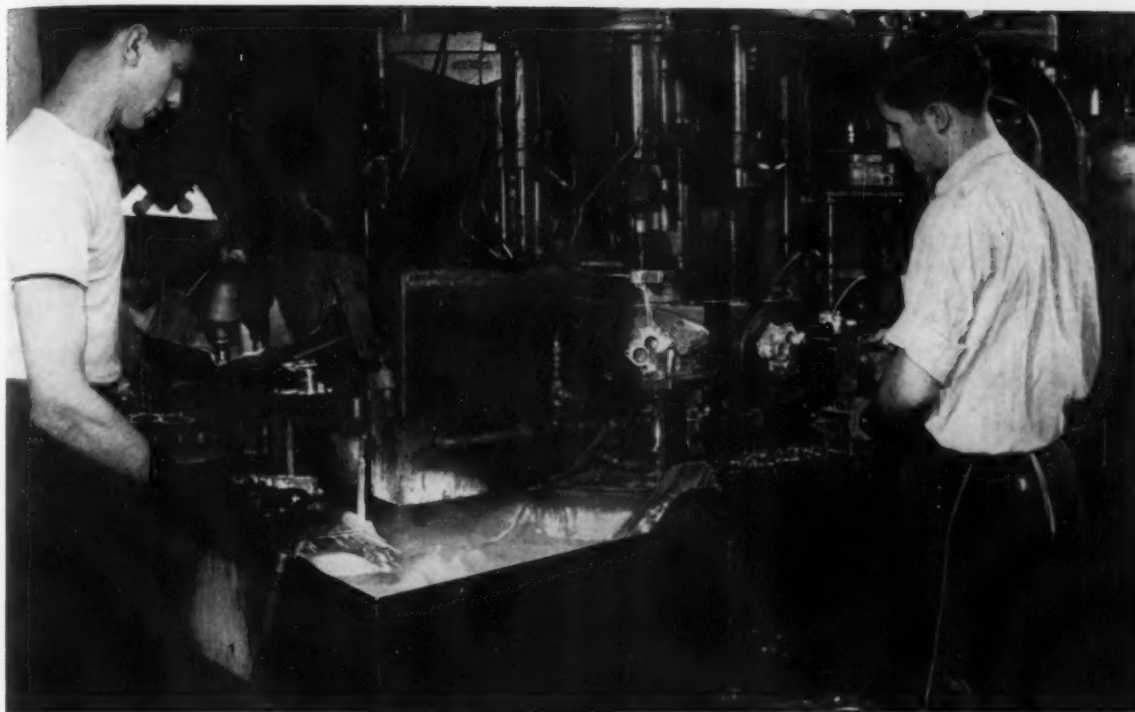


FIG. 4—At the loading station of the 8-station automatic, the operator on the right loads and unloads the fixtures. Finished castings go into the cleaning tank, from which the operator on the left removes them and blows them out with an air hose.

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#### **Castings Washed And Chromated**

When the operator removes the casting, he places it in a chute and it slides into a hot washing solution from which it is taken by another operator, shown at the left in Fig. 4, who uses a jet of air to blow out the casting. All burring and inspection are done here. The casting is then ready for transfer to a tank in which the castings are given a chromate treatment designed to inhibit formation of white oxide, in case water in gasoline, used in service, is allowed to stand in contact with the casting.

Machining of the air horn is handled in the second 12-station Morris machine. Castings, loaded at station No. 1, are locked to the fixtures by a hand crank and after indexing to the second station come under a tool. Of the six blades in this cutter, three machine a 30° chamfer at the top of air horn, one spot-faces a 2.25-in. diam on the top, one faces a step outside the horn, and one makes an outside bevel.

#### **One Station Not Used**

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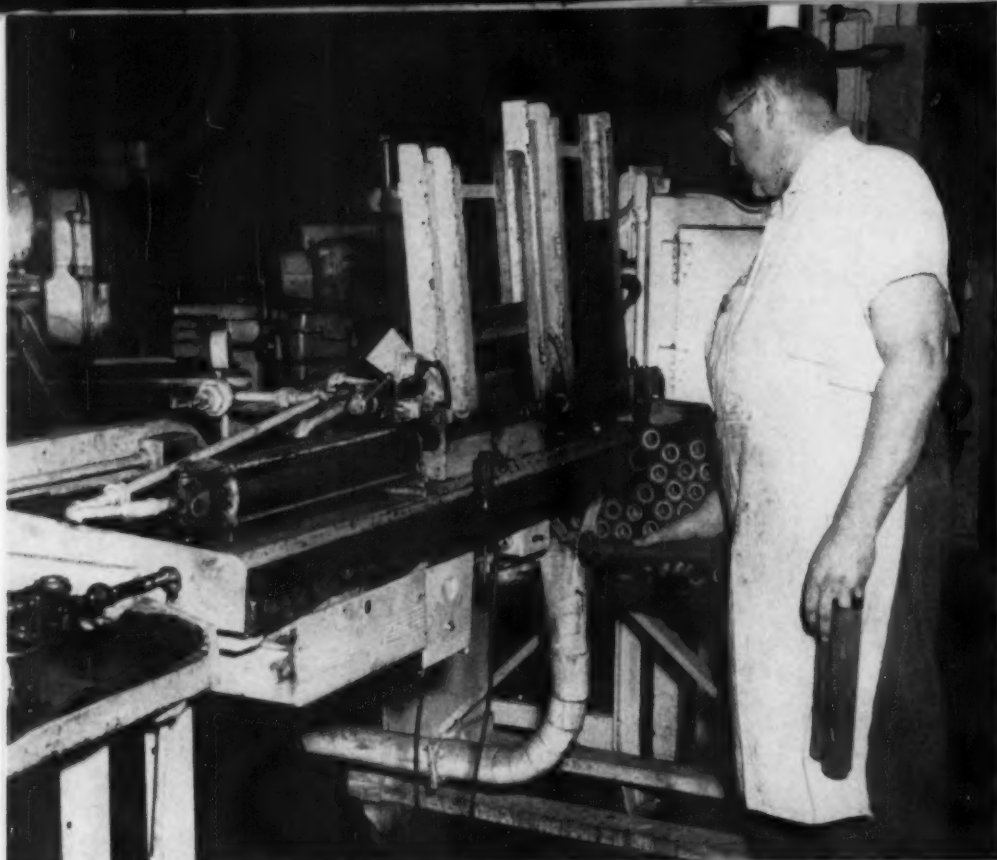
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Tapping of one 5/16-24 thread for the fuel needle valve seat is done at station No. 7 and is followed at the next station by drilling a No. 41 hole in one ear for the float hinge pin. One 10-32 hole for a choke lever screw is tapped at this station. The hole for a float hinge pin is then drilled in the second ear at station No. 9, where also a reamer in a floating holder line reams the shaft hole.

#### **Burring Is Only Other Machining Needed**

A spot-facer at station No. 10 removes flash at a sector pin boss. Two  $\frac{3}{8}$ -in. diam spot-facers clean off areas at the ejector at station No. 11. The final operation is the tapping of one inlet hole at the 12th station. Machined castings, as they are unloaded, are placed in a chute and fall into a hot wash from which they are removed, burred, inspected and placed on a conveyer. Degreasing is done before castings go to the chromic acid dip.

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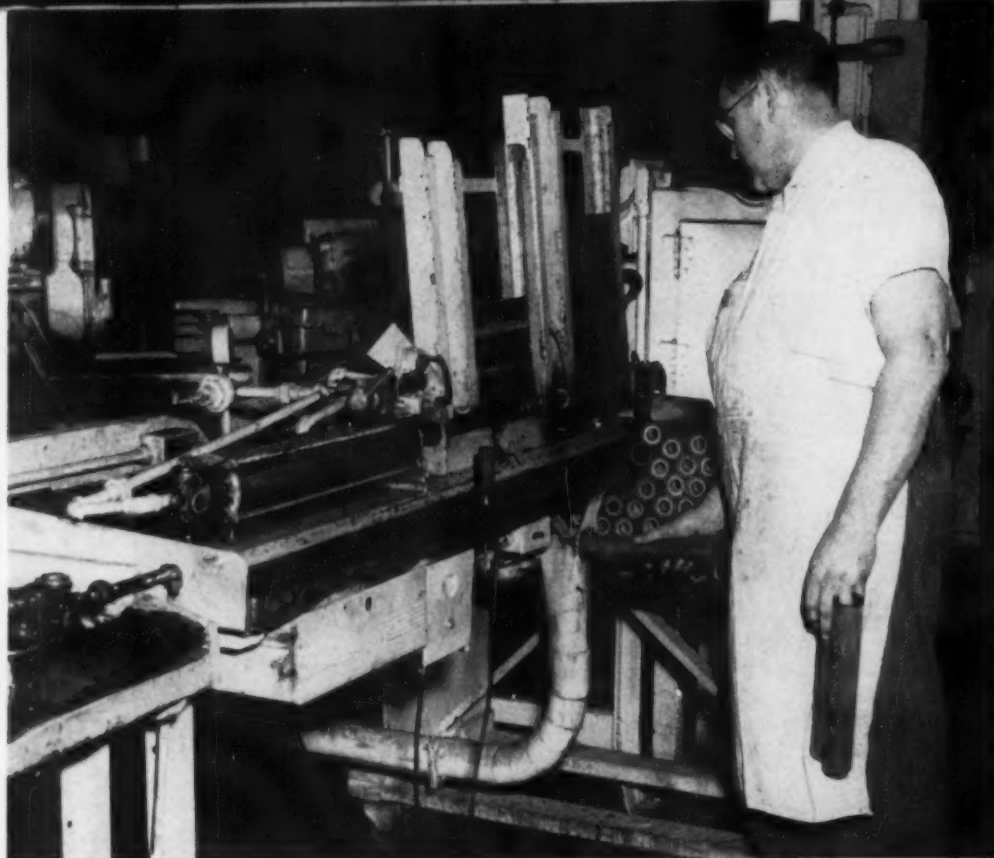
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CS164A	138 Type	1.0	4.0	1.2	6.0	8.0	0.5	0.07	0.3	2.5	0.2	0.5	Remainder
G1A	B50S, C50S, 150S	3.5	4.5	1.5	9.0	11.0	0.5	0.5	1.0	0.5	0.2	0.5	Remainder
G4A	214	3.5	4.5	1.2	9.0	11.0	0.5	0.5	1.0	0.5	0.2	0.5	Remainder
(G2) <sup>a</sup> G8A	218	0.50	0.80	0.25	0.15	1.0	0.15	1.8	0.10	0.25	0.05	0.15	Remainder
G10A	220	0.3	0.5	0.1 <sup>a</sup>	0.3	3.5	0.3	4.5	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.15	Remainder
GR20A	52S	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.3	3.5	0.3	4.5	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.15	Remainder
GS10A	53S	0.3	0.8	0.2	0.3	7.5	0.3	8.5	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.15	Remainder
GS11A	51S	0.3	0.8	0.2	0.3	7.5	0.3	8.5	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.15	Remainder
GS11B	53S	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	9.5	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.15	Remainder
GS42A	5214	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	9.5	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.15	Remainder
QZ42A	A214	0.45 Si + Fe	0.10	0.10	0.10	2.2	0.10	2.6	0.15	0.35	0.05	0.15	Remainder
M1A	3S	0.2	0.6	0.60	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.45	0.85	0.10	0.10	0.05	Remainder
Clad M1A	Clad 3S	0.40	0.80	0.70	0.15	0.40	0.15	0.80	1.2	0.15	0.15	0.05	Remainder
MG11A	4S	45-65% of Mg	0.35	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	1.4	0.15	0.35	0.15	0.05	Remainder
SSA	13	1.4	2.2	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.8	3.5	4.5	0.2	0.2	0.05	Remainder
SSB	43 Type	1.4	2.2	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.8	3.5	4.5	0.2	0.2	0.05	Remainder
(S4) <sup>a</sup> S5C	43	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	3.5	4.5	0.2	0.2	0.05	Remainder
(S5) <sup>a</sup>	13	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	3.5	4.5	0.2	0.2	0.05	Remainder
(S9) <sup>a</sup>	13	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	3.5	4.5	0.2	0.2	0.05	Remainder
S12A	13	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	3.5	4.5	0.2	0.2	0.05	Remainder
SC51A	35S	4.5	5.5	0.8	1.0	1.5	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.05	Remainder
(SC2) <sup>a</sup> SC34A	86	4.5	5.5	0.8	1.0	1.5	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.05	Remainder
(SC3) <sup>a</sup> SC34B	86 Type	4.5	5.5	0.8	1.0	1.5	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.05	Remainder
SC41A	A108	4.5	5.5	0.8	1.0	1.5	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.05	Remainder
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<sup>22</sup>Total of all impurities including those listed in composition limits.  
B2200 B210 B211 and B221 meet 0.26 not maximum bromine

For general use, other than cooking utensils, 0.8 pct maximum copper is permitted.

ASTM specification B37-49, "Aluminum for Use in Iron and Steel Manufacture," covers five compositions of unalloyed aluminum varying in purity from 85.0 per cent minimum aluminum to 98.0 per cent minimum aluminum. In conformance with the codification system, they are designated 850A, 900A, 920A, 950A and 980A aluminum. The numbers in each designation indicate the specified minimum aluminum content with the decimal point dropped. The letter A in each designation serves to differentiate the metal from any other which might have the same minimum aluminum content but different impurity limits.

ASTM Specification B90-49T, "Magnesium-Base Alloy Sheet," covers two alloys, one of which is designated as magnesium alloy AZ31A. This alloy's composition limits are given in Table II. The designation AZ31A indicates that the alloy contains aluminum (code letter A) and zinc (code letter Z) as the two alloying elements specified in the greatest amount. Their specified percentages are rounded off to whole numbers, three and one respectively. The final letter A serves to differentiate this alloy from any other AZ31 alloy, such as magnesium alloy AZ31B in ASTM Specifications B91-49T, B107-



TABLE IV

## Magnesium and Magnesium-base Alloys

Continued

Light Metals

Alloy Designations		Chemical Composition Limits—Pct														ASTM Specs. <sup>1</sup>								
ASTM	Commercial	Aluminum		Manganese	Zinc		Silicon	Copper	Tin		Nickel	Iron	Calcium	Total Others	Magnesium	B80	B80	B91	B92	B93	B94	B107	B199	B217
		Min	Max	Min	Min	Max	Max	Max	Min	Max	Max	Max	Max	Max	Min									
9980A		...	...	...	...	...	...	0.02	...	...	0.001	...	...	0.20 <sup>2</sup>	99.80	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
AM80A	Dowmetal A	7.8	9.2	0.15	...	0.3	0.3	0.10	...	...	0.01	...	...	0.3	Remainder	*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		8.0	9.0	0.18	...	0.20	0.2	0.08	...	...	0.01	...	...	0.3	Remainder	...	...	...	...	*	...	...	...	...
AM100A	Mazlo AM240, Dowmetal G	9.3	10.7	0.10	...	0.3	0.3	0.10	...	...	0.01	...	...	0.3	Remainder	*	...	...	...	...	...	...	*	...
		9.4	10.6	0.13	...	...	...	0.2	0.08	...	0.01	...	...	0.3	Remainder	...	...	...	...	*	...	...	...	...
(AS100) <sup>3</sup>		9.4	10.6	0.13	...	...	...	1.0	0.08	...	0.01	...	...	0.3	Remainder	...	...	...	...	*	...	...	...	...
AM100B		9.0	11.0	0.10	...	0.3	1.0	0.05	...	...	0.03	...	...	0.3	Remainder	...	...	...	...	...	*	...	...	...
AZ31A	Mazlo AM-C82S, Dowmetal FS-1	2.5	3.5	0.20	0.6	1.4	0.3	0.05	...	...	0.005	0.005	0.3	0.3	Remainder	...	*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
AZ31B	Mazlo AM-C82S, Dowmetal FS-1	2.5	3.5	0.20	0.6	1.4	0.3	0.05	...	...	0.005	0.005	...	0.3	Remainder	...	...	*	...	...	...	*	...	*
AZ61A	Mazlo AM-C57S, Dowmetal J-1	5.8	7.2	0.15	0.4	1.5	0.3	0.05	...	...	0.005	0.005	...	0.3	Remainder	...	...	*	...	...	...	*	...	*
		5.3	6.7	0.15	2.5	3.5	0.3	0.25	...	...	0.01	...	...	0.3	Remainder	*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
AZ63A	Mazlo AM265, Dowmetal H	5.5	6.5	0.18	2.7	3.3	0.2	0.20	...	...	0.01	...	...	0.3	Remainder	...	...	...	...	*	...	...	...	...
AZ80A	Mazlo AM-C86S, Dowmetal O-1	7.8	9.2	0.12	0.2	0.8	0.3	0.05	...	...	0.005	0.005	...	0.3	Remainder	...	...	*	...	...	...	*	...	*
		8.5	9.5	0.15	0.5	0.9	0.2	0.08	...	...	0.01	...	...	0.3	Remainder	...	...	...	...	*	...	...	...	...
AZ91A	Mazlo AM263, Dowmetal R	8.3	9.7	0.13	0.4	1.0	0.5	0.10	...	...	0.03	...	...	0.3	Remainder	...	...	...	...	*	...	...	...	...
		8.5	9.5	0.15	0.5	0.9	0.2	0.25	...	...	0.01	...	...	0.3	Remainder	...	...	...	...	*	...	...	...	...
AZ91B	Dowmetal RC	8.3	9.7	0.13	0.4	1.0	0.5	0.3	...	...	0.03	...	...	0.3	Remainder	...	...	...	...	*	...	...	...	...
		8.3	9.7	0.13	0.4	1.0	0.3	0.10	...	...	0.01	...	...	0.3	Remainder	*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
AZ91C <sup>4</sup>	Dowmetal R	8.5	9.5	0.15	0.5	0.9	0.2	0.08	...	...	0.01	...	...	0.3	Remainder	...	...	...	...	*	...	...	...	...
		8.3	9.7	0.16	1.6	2.4	0.3	0.25	...	...	0.01	...	...	0.3	Remainder	*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
AZ92A	Mazlo AM260, Dowmetal C	8.5	9.5	0.13	1.7	2.3	0.2	0.20	...	...	0.01	...	...	0.3	Remainder	...	...	...	...	*	...	...	...	...
M1A	Mazlo AM35, Dowmetal M	...	...	1.20	...	...	0.3	0.05	...	...	0.01	...	0.3	0.3	Remainder	...	*	...	...	...	...	*	...	*
		...	...	1.20	...	...	0.3	0.10	...	...	0.01	...	...	0.3	Remainder	*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
M1B	Mazlo AM403, Dowmetal M	...	...	1.30	...	...	0.1	0.08	...	...	0.01	...	...	0.2	Remainder	...	...	...	...	*	...	...	...	...
TA54A	Mazlo AM65S, Dowmetal D	3.0	4.0	0.20	...	0.3	0.3	0.05	4.0	8.0	0.03	...	...	0.3	Remainder	...	*	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

<sup>1</sup>Specifications for:

- B 80-49T, Magnesium-Base Alloy Sand Castings.
- B 90-49T, Magnesium-Base Alloy Sheet.
- B 91-49T, Magnesium-Base Alloy Forgings.
- B 92-45, Magnesium Ingot and Stick for Remelting.
- B 93-49T, Magnesium-Base Alloys in Ingot Form for Sand Castings, Die Castings, and Permanent Mold Castings.
- B 94-49T, Magnesium-Base Alloy Die Castings.

- B107-49T, Magnesium-Base Alloy Bars, Rods, and Shapes.
- B199-49T, Magnesium-Base Alloy Permanent Mold Castings.
- B217-49T, Magnesium-Base Alloy Extruded Round Tubes.

<sup>2</sup>Total of aluminum, copper, iron, manganese, nickel, and silicon.

<sup>3</sup>The designation in parentheses, which does not conform to the designation system for light metals and alloys, is used in B93 and B94 to designate this alloy in the form of ingot and die castings.

<sup>4</sup>In ingot form for sand castings this alloy is designated as AZ91A in B93.

49T and B217-49T. This alloy differs from AZ31A in that it does not have a specified limit for calcium.

Table III covers aluminum and aluminum-base alloys, their ASTM and common commercial designations, ASTM chemical composition limits, and the ASTM specifications in which they appear. Table IV gives the same information for magnesium and magnesium-base alloys.

A new system for designating tempers was adopted<sup>8</sup> by the aluminum industry in 1948. It is also being used in the magnesium industry. Recent issues of many specifications designate tempers according to this system. The ASTM uses it in their specifications for aluminum and aluminum-base alloys. It will be used in their specifications for magnesium and magnesium-base alloys when they are next revised. It is

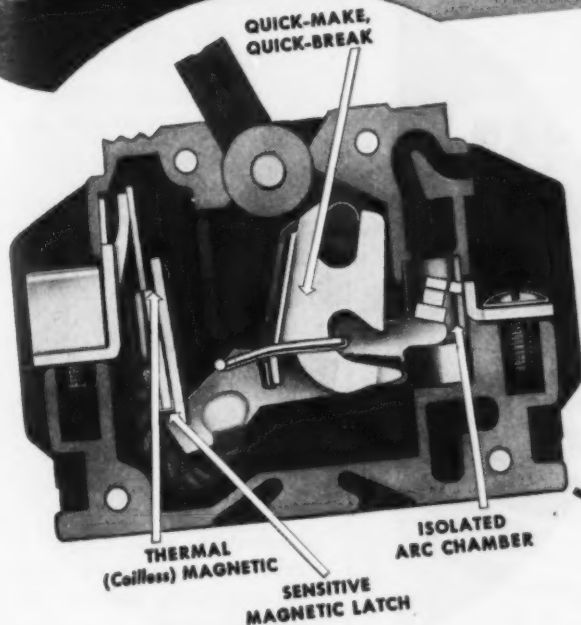
also planned to combine the codification system for light metals and alloys with the temper designation system for issuance by the ASTM as "Recommended Practices for Codification of Light Metals and Alloys, Cast and Wrought."

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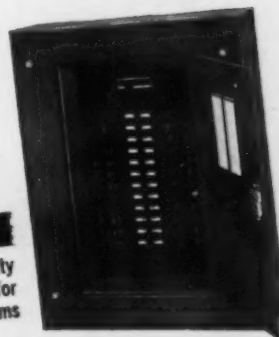
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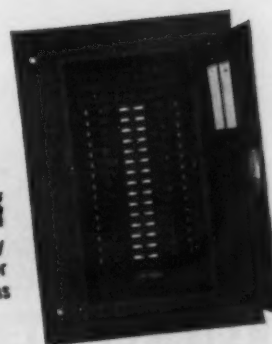
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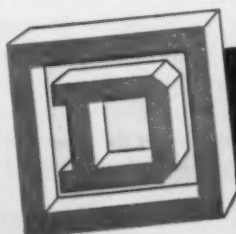
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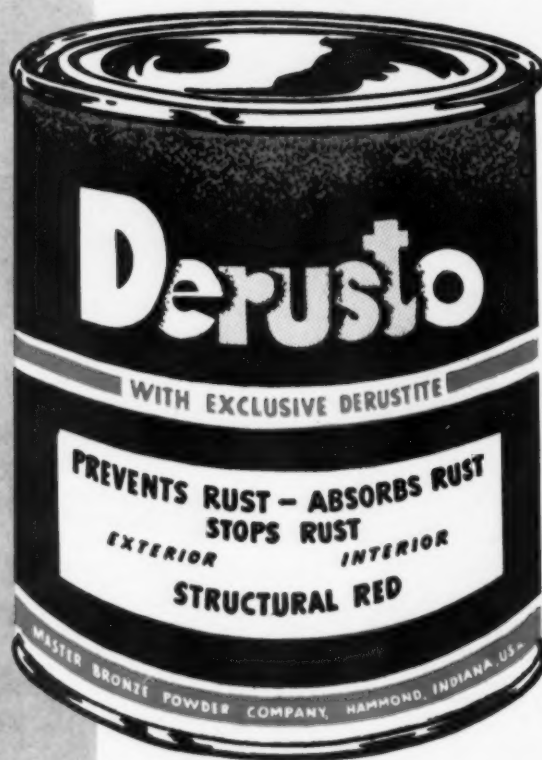
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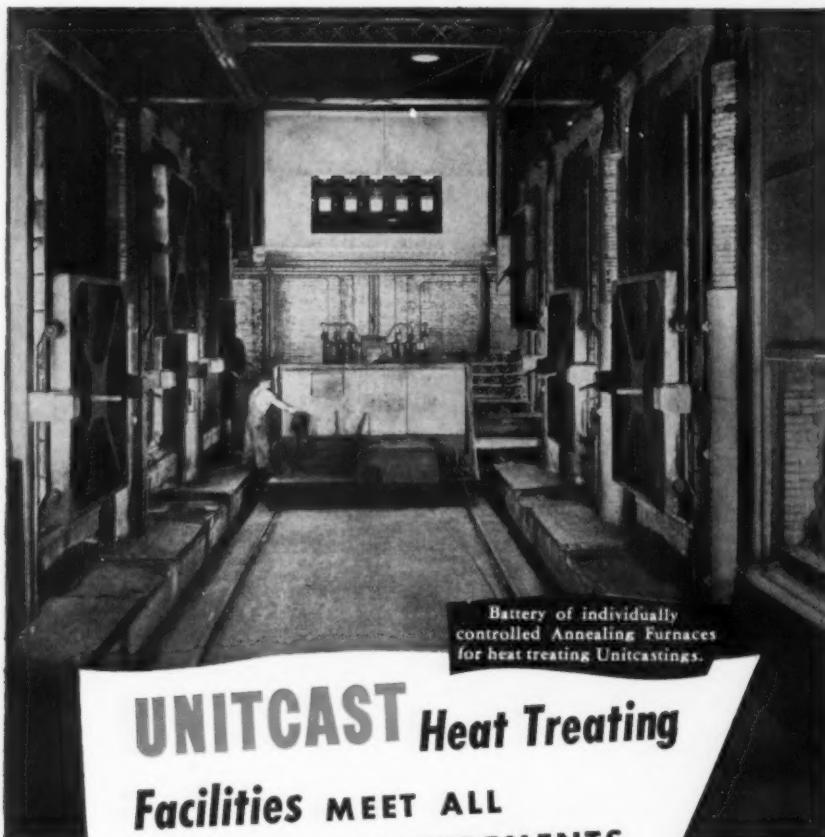
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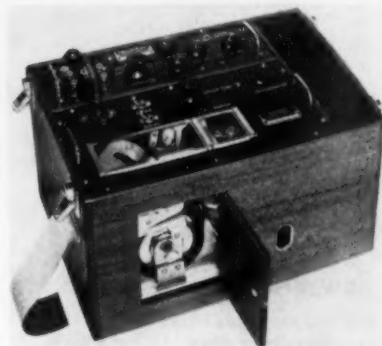
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# news of industry

## Price Freeze and CMP are Readied for Action

**Prices expected to ice-up about Feb. 15 . . . Eric Johnston in, Valentine out as Wilson makes up mind . . . ESA battles over date to set prices . . . Controlled economy coming.**

Washington—Two basic government anti-inflation weapons—price controls and a controlled-materials plan—are being readied for active service this week.

While no decision has been reached as to the effective date of each of these controlled-economy devices, top Administration advisors indicate a general price-freeze will be ordered by mid-February and a CMP by early June.

President Truman's decision to control prices via the general-freeze approach, rather than on a commodity-by-commodity basis (the "selective" approach) was revealed over the week-end in his appointment of Eric Johnston as Economic Stabilizer. Mr. Johnston's predecessor, Alan Valentine, had opposed the quick "freeze" approach to price stabilization.

Economic Stabilization Agency officials indicate they expect a price-freeze order to become effective about Feb. 15.

The level at which prices will be frozen is bitterly disputed within the agency, however, with some economists favoring a roll-back to Dec. 1 levels and others seeking to peg prices at Jan. 1 or Jan. 15 levels.

### **Decides Definitely on CMP**

Charles E. Wilson, the government's top mobilization planner, disclosed his definite decision to adopt a Controlled Materials Plan at a Congressional hearing.

"We will ultimately come to it," he declared, indicating details of the plan were being worked out by William H. Harrison, head of the National Production Authority.

### **Equitable Distribution Sought**

Mr. Harrison takes the view that a CMP is the only known method of bringing about "reasonably equitable and efficient distribution of scarce materials for civilian consumption."

But he also recognizes the administrative pitfalls inherent in any such system. Among these, he feels, are such drawbacks as the huge administrative staff required, the fact that such a plan must apply to every consumer without exception, and—most important—the military's current inability to make up its mind as to the extent of its materials needs.

### **NPA to Aid Farm Machine Makers**

Washington—The National Production Authority is planning to work with industry and the Agriculture Dept. to keep steel and other materials flowing to agricultural equipment manufacturers. A special section will aid companies on an individual basis.

This decision was made after Farm Equipment Advisory committeemen reported farm machinery output might drop 25 pct under last year's rate by June.

### **Steel for Defense**

Washington — From 12 to 14 pct of current steel production is channeled directly into defense production and large additional amounts go to supporting purposes, such as the freight car program, NPA's David B. Carson, of the Iron and Steel Div., told the Senate Small Business Committee last week.

He said present steel capacity of 104 million tons should be increased by over 10 million tons in 2 years but that problems of raw materials, transportation, ore boats, etc., would have to be overcome. NPA will continue a policy of seeing that military or defense orders get right of way at mills, Mr. Carson stated.

### **Bendix Buys Ford Plant**

Detroit—Bendix Aviation Corp. has purchased the Hamilton, Ohio, plant of Ford Motor Co. for the production of aircraft parts and accessories. Ford used the Hamilton facilities until a few months ago for stamping operations. The new plant at Hamilton will be operated as a division of Bendix, according to Malcolm P. Ferguson, president of the company.

### **Ferguson Gets Arsenal Contract**

New York—Contract for installation of process equipment at Picatinny Arsenal, Dover, N. J., has been awarded H. K. Ferguson Co. The \$650,000 project will be completed within 6 months.



## INDUSTRIAL SHORTS

**EXPANSION PROGRAM** — A \$2.5 million expansion program is under way at the CLEVELAND PNEUMATIC TOOL CO., Cleveland. One million is being privately financed and covers plant expansion, re-arrangement and machine tools. The balance covers machine tools being acquired under a government facilities contract.

**BRANCH PLANT** — Approximately 180 acres at Hampstead, Md., have been purchased by BLACK & DECKER MFG. CO. for the erection of a branch plant to manufacture portable electric tools. Building is expected to start around April or May and about 300 to 400 people will be employed at the plant in a year's time.

**CONSOLIDATION** — Wood Works, the stainless steel processing plant of U. S. STEEL CO., is now the Wood Works plant of the company's Irvin Works, McKeesport, Pa. No changes are contemplated in the management personnel of Wood Works.

**BUILDING NEW HOME** — A new plant is being built in Englewood, a suburb of Denver, by C. A. NORGREN CO., manufacturers of pneumatic equipment. The company is also observing its 25th anniversary this year.

**CHANGES NAME** — Gordon & Kinney, Inc., Detroit, has adopted the new name of J. ALEX GORDON & CO. The company is sales representative for the Automatic Transportation Co., Chicago, covering the Detroit industrial area.

**MORE SPACE** — LATROBE ELECTRIC STEEL CO. has moved its Los Angeles office to larger quarters at 3537 E. Olympic Blvd. New location includes a 3500 sq ft warehouse for high speed tool and die steels, tool bits and drill rod.

**WEST COAST AGENT**—Eriez Mfg. Co. Erie, Pa., has appointed C. D. SUTTON, INC., as their representative in the Los Angeles area. Sutton will handle the complete Eriez line, which includes all permanent magnetic separation equipment of its own manufacture, Memco electromagnetic separation equipment and RCA electronic metal detectors.

**BROADENS ACTIVITIES** — West Coast regional headquarters have been established in Los Angeles by the BELLOWES CO., Akron, Ohio, manufacturers of Bellows "controlled-air-power" devices for industrial use. The company will also take over all distribution sales activities for Smith-Johnson Corp., Los Angeles, manufacturers of Senacon pneumatic equipment, formerly handled by Conapco, Inc.

**WESTERN OUTLET** — The WHITNEY CHAIN CO. of Hartford has established a new office and warehouse building in Los Angeles with A. J. Swisler as district manager. This branch will function as the engineering sales and service outlet for Whitney's complete line throughout southern California and Arizona.

**NEW QUARTERS**—The Baroid Sales Div. of the NATIONAL LEAD CO. has awarded a contract to the H. K. Ferguson Co. for construction of a new office building and research center in Houston.

**GROUP OFFICIALS**—Otto H. Fischer, president of Union Diesel Engine Co., Oakland, Calif., has been elected president of the DIESEL ENGINE MANUFACTURERS ASSN. William E. Butts, president of General Metals Corp., San Francisco, was elected to the board of directors.

## Copper, Brass Price-Freeze Studied by Government, Industry

Bring OPA price lists up to date; . . . Some ingot cuts promised ESA

**Washington** — The government is studying price-freeze recommendations submitted by the copper and brass industries.

Industry representatives, including scrap dealers, refiners, and ingot makers have been bringing former OPA price lists up to date.

The Economic Stabilization Agency is studying the recommendations, but has not indicated when or how price ceilings will be imposed on the copper and brass industries.

Brass mill industry spokesmen told ESA they would agree to price stabilization if assured prices of raw materials, including scrap, were also stabilized.

Ingot makers indicated willingness to subscribe to a voluntary price stabilization agreement, ESA said. Under this proposal, companies would give ESA advance notice of any proposed price increase, provided there would be no increase in the primary metal market.

ESA said it had been assured by some ingot producers they were reducing their selling prices on certain grades of ingot, effective immediately, and accordingly will reduce their buying prices for the scrap they use.

## NPA Amends Steel Order M-1

**Washington**—Certification that materials purchased for the freight car program will be used for no other purpose must be obtained under amendment to NPA M-1. Exact amounts of materials and required delivery dates must also be given.

Industrial alcohol, chlorine, natural and synthetic rubbers and other non-metallic materials have been added to the list of materials on NPA Notice 1 which may not be stocked in excess of reasonable needs or resold at higher than market prices.

**MORE SCRAP FOR WAR:** Scene is the exhibit room of the Institute of Scrap Iron and Steel Convention in New York's Commodore Hotel last week. The sign points out the importance of scrap in steelmaking and defense while men of the trade discuss expanded war volume that is needed and the coming clamp-down of controls.



## Steel Co. of Canada Plans 50 Pct Plant Capacity Expansion

**Will boost potential to 1.9 million tons at cost of \$40 million.**

Toronto—The Steel Co. of Canada, Ltd., plans plant expansion to boost capacity by 50 pct at a cost of \$40,000,000, H. G. Hilton, president, announced.

It will take about 18 months to complete the program. Principal features of the new undertaking are enlarged dock and storage facilities, additional coke ovens, a new blast furnace and a new open-hearth furnace shop in which will be installed four furnaces of 250 tons capacity each. On the completion of the new project the company will have four blast furnaces and capacity will be boosted 450,000 tons to 1,207,000 tons annually. Steel ingot capacity will be increased by 650,000 tons to 1,900,000 tons, enabling the company to produce over four times its average annual ingot rate during the years 1935 to 1939.

### Increase in Flat-Rolled

While the additional steel will be rolled into the various products now being produced by the company, the major increase will be in hot and cold-rolled sheets, which have been scarce, the president stated. He emphasized that the expansion was a normally planned one and not caused by war conditions. Engineering work is well advanced and initial contracts have been placed.

Although the expansion program is the largest ever planned by the Hamilton industry in such a short time, the Steel Company has spent

\$65,000,000 on expansions to its Hamilton plant in the last 10 years.

Algoma Steel Corp., Ltd., is embarking upon a plant expansion program to cost about \$10,000,000 which will involve installation of a strip and skelp mill. Morgan Construction Co., of Worcester, Mass., is reported to have the construction contract and Canadian General Electric Co., Ltd., a \$1,600,000 contract to supply the main electrical drive. The new additions are expected to be in production in 1952.

## Jones & Laughlin Splits Stock

Pittsburgh — Stockholders of Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp. have approved a proposal that common stock be split two-for-one, and have authorized an increase in indebtedness from \$150 million to \$180 million. They also approved a change from no par to \$10 par.

## NPA M-30 Limits Tungsten Use

Washington—The National Production Authority order M-30 sets up a tungsten allocation system and limits use of the metal for abrasives, high-speed steels, and pigments.

Effective Mar. 1, NPA authorizations based on end use must be obtained for tungsten for making high-speed steel. Effective at once, orders for class B high-speed steel must not exceed 20 pct of total monthly requirements.

Small users of 500 lb of high-speed steels per quarter are exempt. Inventories of 50 lb or more must report them and inventories are limited to a 60-day supply or working level, whichever is less.

## Seeks Ways to Raise Benzene Production by 103 Million Gals

**See 15 million gals extra from coke, 88 million gals from oil**

Washington—A survey is being made by the Defense Solid Fuels Administration for the purpose of finding ways to increase benzene production from coke ovens. Output from this source is expected to be increased by 15 million gals over the next 2 years.

This announcement was made simultaneously with a meeting of benzene producers and users with National Production Authority officials, at which time a resolution was adopted asking the government to authorize construction of facilities to produce 88 million additional gals from petroleum.

Current needs are estimated at 252 million gals. Some 12 million gals are currently being produced from petroleum and 165 million gals are being recovered from coke ovens.

Petroleum Administration for Defense says enough applications for certificates of necessity have been received to result in production of more than the volume needed. Several have been granted and others are being studied.

## TVA to Get 3 New Generators

Pittsburgh—Westinghouse Electric Corp. will build three vertical-water-wheel generators of 31,250 kva capacity for the new Boone Dam of the Tennessee Valley Authority. The generators will cost approximately \$2 million. All units are scheduled to operate by '53.

## GSA Reopens Velasco, Tex., Manteca, Calif., Magnesium Plants

Washington—Arrangements for reopening two more reserve magnesium plants have been completed by the General Services Administration. Their total production over the next 2 years is estimated at about 200,000,000 lb.

Dow Chemical Co. has leased the plant it operated during the war at Velasco, Tex., for a 2-year period and will sell the entire output, estimated at 160,000,000 lb, to the government. Operations are scheduled to begin in May after \$3 million worth of renovating and modernizing work.

Through another agreement, the Kaiser Magnesium Co. will operate the government plant at Manteca, Calif., which was operated by Permanente during the war. Some \$700,000 will be spent in getting the plant ready for

operation by July. Output for the 2-year period is set at 40,000,000 lb.

The GSA has also contracted with Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp. to supply Manteca with ferrosilicon and calcined dolomite. These magnesium components will come from a plant at Permanente,

Calif., and another at Natividad, Calif., both to be reactivated by Kaiser.

Dow is also completing installations at Madison, Ill., where the first continuous rolling mill for magnesium will produce for defense. The plant also will have extrusion equipment.

## Confidence in Moses Pays Dividends in Peace

**Coal grants voluntary wage hike, beating gun on wage-price controls . . . Lewis fire, brimstone tactics replaced by discreetness . . . Industry had built stocks.**—By John Delaney.

Pittsburgh—The soft coal industry's confidence in Harry M. Moses is paying off.

For the first time, the industry has granted a wage increase to John L. Lewis and his United Mine Workers without a strike and without the customary name-calling.

The increase was granted voluntarily by the operators. Under their contract they didn't have to think about wages until next month. However, the imminence of price-wage controls was a factor in the early settlement.

### Reduce February Stocks

Harry Moses and John Lewis did the job—so quietly and efficiently—that it left the industry and the rest of the country gasping. The negotiations included the usual give and take. But these two old friends, conscious of their responsibilities in the national emergency, came up with a nice, business-like settlement that nobody could get mad about. Both sides won concessions.

To say that a lot of people were surprised is an understatement. In anticipation of the usual crisis and possible strike, everybody was stocking up on coal. So much so that February probably will be one of the industry's poorest months as consumers reduce heavy inventories. Business will improve, though, as the defense program builds up steam and with

shipments of 5 million tons or more to Great Britain between now and June.

The Moses-Lewis meetings began last Dec. 27—less than 3 months after Moses resigned as president of H. C. Frick Coke Co., a U. S. Steel subsidiary, to represent the Northern Coal Operators and 200 million tons of capacity, little more than a third of which is so-called captive tonnage of steel producers. Moses is president of the Bituminous Coal Operators Assn.

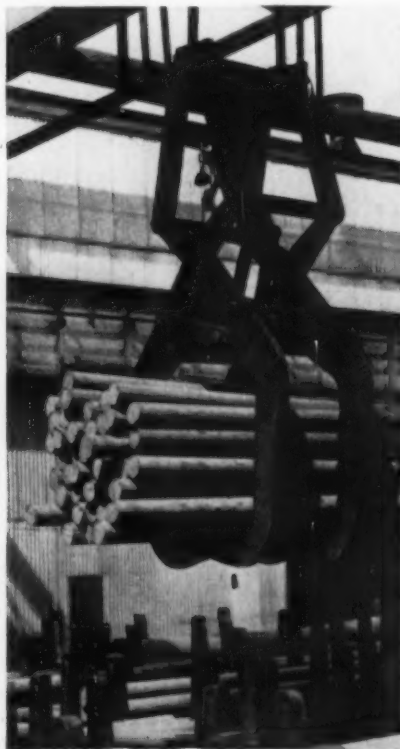
The meetings continued, except for holiday recesses, until a tentative agreement was reached. The agreement called for a wage increase of \$1.60 per day—20¢ an hour, increasing the basic daily pay of 370,000 coal miners to \$16.35, effective Feb. 1. This represented, roughly, an average between what Moses offered and what Lewis demanded. Dismissed early was any consideration of a reduction in the work-day or an increase in the miners 30¢ per ton welfare fund royalty.

### Join the Bandwagon

Moses took this agreement to the people he represented and asked their approval. He got it—unanimously.

The rest of the industry—Joseph E. Moody's Southern Coal Producers Assn., Harry Treadwell's Illinois group, and the western operators—almost tram-

**A STEELY GRIP:** Automatic tongs and an automatic locking device enables a crane-man to singlehandedly load rolled steel rounds weighing up to 30,000 lb. Assisting in development of the tongs were mill designers, engineers, and operators at the Lorain, Ohio, plant of National Tube Co. Heppenstall Co., Pittsburgh, designed a unique automatic locking device.





pled one another in their haste to say, "Me, too." Anthracite operators came along later.

The agreement assures peace in this vital industry until at least Mar. 31, 1952. It does not expire automatically, but only if notice of intent to cancel is given 60 days in advance. If such notice is not given, the contract continues in effect for 60 days after notice actually is served. This clause automatically eliminates danger of a no-contract, no-work strike without a full 60 days to reach settlement.

The Mar. 31 expiration date also is a concession to the operators. This gives them at least a full year before they start thinking about the possibility of new contract demands.

Coal operators will ask for a 5 or 6 pct price increase to cover cost of the pay hike.

#### Moses, Lewis Write the Peace

Reports of behind-the-scenes dictation by Benjamin F. Fairless, president of U. S. Steel Corp., or George Love, president of Consolidation Coal Co., are ridiculous. Moses saw neither of these men prior to the tentative agreement with Lewis.

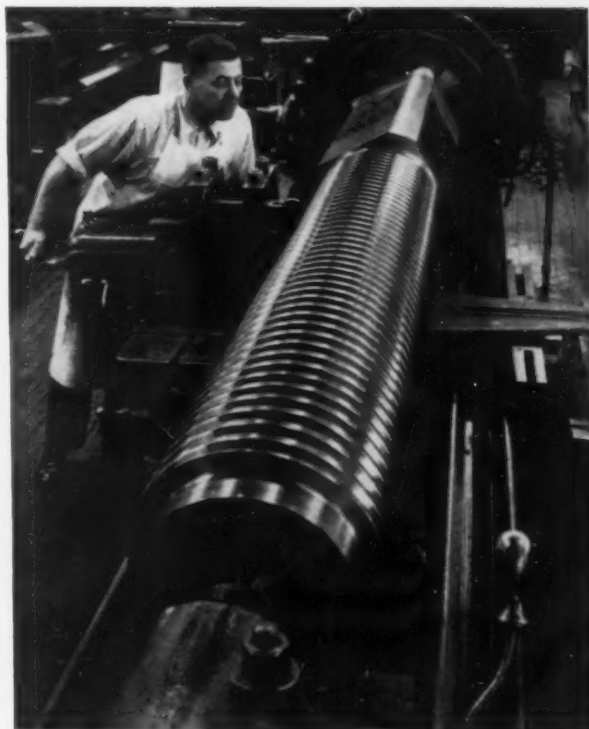
An incident that occurred at the contract signing pointed up the harmony that now exists between Lewis and the industry in contrast to the bitterness of previous years. When someone handed Lewis a note advising that 11 miners had been killed in a West Virginia explosion, he didn't take it as a cue to tee off on the safety shortcomings of the industry. Instead, he looked up and said quietly:

"That, gentlemen, is what our men contribute to the country."

#### Two Furnaces Out of Blast

Pittsburgh—U. S. Steel Co. has blown out two blast furnaces this month. Its No. 5 furnace at the Ohio works was blown out Jan. 18 for relining and enlarging and its No. 2 furnace at Clairton went out on Jan. 7 for repairs.

**AN INDUSTRIAL BEAUTY:** In Ford's Dearborn, Mich., Rouge plant, toolmaker Paul F. Miller works on the surface of giant screw undergoing a thread-rolling operation that closes pores and gives the thread a high surface finish to cut frictional wear. He is taking more pains than a diamond cutter. The screw will control adjustments of rolls in Ford's steel rolling mill. Threads are 15 in. in diam and the screw is 13 ft long.



#### Steel Firms Negotiate For Steep Rock Iron Ore Land Rights

Cleveland—Pickands, Mather & Co., acting for a group of steel and iron ore producers, is negotiating with Steep Rock Iron Mines, Ltd., for an agreement to explore and an option to lease certain iron ore property in the Steep Rock Lake area in Western Ontario, said Elton Hoyt, 2nd, senior partner of Pickands, Mather & Co.

Others of the group are Bethlehem Steel Co., Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co., The Steel Co. of Canada, Ltd., and Interlake Iron Corp.

Mr. Hoyt said that, while details of the agreement are still to be worked out, exploratory work in the near future is planned. If sufficient ore should be proved, the company taking the lease will be managed by Pickands, Mather & Co., he said.

He declined to discuss tonnages but said it is hoped that the project will disclose deposits of some magnitude.

The property covers more than 1000 acres and is in the general vicinity of Inland Steel Co. land

optioned from Steep Rock Iron Mines a year ago.

The area controlled by Steep Rock lies about 140 miles west of Port Arthur and Lake Superior, and is connected with Port Arthur by rail.

#### Carboloy Makes Heavier Metal

Detroit—Manufacture of a non-cutting metal heavier than cemented carbide and of 50 pct greater density than lead has been announced by Carboloy Co., Inc.

The new material, trade name Hevimet, will be widely used for static and dynamic balancing, since it provides maximum weight with minimum size. It will also serve as a screen for gamma rays in radiotherapy and other applications.

#### Alabama Plant to Make Munitions

Huntsville, Ala.—The former Dallas Mfg. Co. textile mill, sold and dismantled in 1949 and turned into a warehouse, will be converted into a munitions plant, according to Richard W. Wirt, Southern Railway official.

## Roads Ask ICC for General 6 Pct Freight Rate Increase

Ask rise in handling charges at lower lake ports, boost for coal.

Washington—The railroads last week asked the Interstate Commerce Commission for authority to put into immediate effect a general 6 pct freight rate increase which they proposed 2 weeks ago. Refunds would be paid or allowed for any increases not finally approved by the ICC.

No increase has been asked for storing iron ore at lower Lake ports, nor in handling charges at upper Lake ports on shipments forwarded from there by water. But handling charges at the lower Lake ports would take the increase.

### Coal Boost Sought

Instead of the general increase, a specific boost of 18¢ per net ton or 20¢ per gross ton is sought for coal. In the case of the Nickel Plate (New York, Chicago & St. Louis R.R.), the road would not increase bituminous rates for shipments picked up and delivered within the state of Ohio. This is to offset trucking competition.

Demurrage charges would not be increased, nor would allowances paid by the roads for drayage and similar services performed for the roads by shippers or receivers. But the proposed increase would apply to numerous other services, including protective service, switching, diversion, etc.

Also taking the general increase would be line haul rates on truck bodies, trailers or semi-trailers, as well as class rates along with joint water rates. Adjustments would be made later to restore normal differentials.

## Alcan to Reopen Smelter

Montreal — Aluminum Co. of Canada, Ltd., proposes to reopen its smelter at Beauharnois, Que., next April and has arranged for a power supply of 100,000 hp to

operate the plant. With this plant operating the company will add some 32,000 metric tons of primary aluminum ingots a year. The addition of the Beauharnois smelter to those already operating at Shawinigan Falls, Arvida and Isle Maligne, Que., will raise Aluminum Company's ingot capacity to well over 400,000 tons a year.

## Steel Firms Give Workers Right Steer to Bond Savings Plan

Drive against inflation . . . Bulk of personnel sign up for savings.

New York—Broadside against inflation are skillful appeal-to-reason campaigns through which many steel companies are signing thousands of their employees on the Payroll Savings Plan.

Metalworking plants were quick in the footsteps of National Tube Co., which evolved a successful technique in convincing workers that buying savings bonds on the payroll plan meant serving country and themselves. (THE IRON AGE, Oct. 26, 1950, p. 80.)

Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp., now part of U. S. Steel Co., had only 18 pct of its staff on the plan before C. F. Hood, Carnegie president, opened a drive that saw

59,000 workers sign their names on the dotted line. The works now has 77 pct participation among 100,000 employees.

### Crucible Starts from Scratch

Allegheny Ludlum's drive achieved 82.2 pct participation among 13,700 employees. Columbia Steel Co. recently completed its campaign, starting with less than 10 pct participation and finishing with 85.2 pct of 7500 workers. This was the record for all West Coast industry.

Incomplete results from Weirton Steel shows that the plant is at 53.6 participation. American Bridge Co. signed up 92.8 pct at its Ambridge plant and is working on other plants now. Starting from scratch and reinstating the plan, Crucible Steel Co. convinced 78 pct of its employees at the Syracuse plant to sign up.

Disregarding high - pressure sales tactics, Gerrard Steel Strapping Co. has 97 pct on the plan. Other firms now in the drive stage include Koppers Co., Inc.; Aluminum Co. of America, American Radiator and Standard Sanitary Corp.

## Maintenance Show Speaker Asks Equipment Care for Defense Effort

Four-day show attracts 10,000 as 170 companies man exhibit booths.

Cleveland—Basic necessity for victory, even more than the number of men in the armed forces, is the productive capacity of a nation, Herman W. Steinkraus, president, Bridgeport Brass Co., Bridgeport, Conn., told engineers at the second annual Plant Maintenance Show banquet here.

### Care for Defense Role

The former president of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce warned that "we will have to live for a good many years with a major defense program as a part of our annual effort."

This means that our equipment must be so geared that we do not break down under the load. If equipment and facilities are over-



"... But you can't quit. You've been in charge of misfiling for years!"

loaded, the destruction is at a much faster rate than if loads are kept within the capacity of that equipment. In a defense program maintenance becomes important.

The banquet was sponsored by the Cleveland section and the management division of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Cooperating societies were the Cleveland Engineering Society and the Cleveland section of the Society for the Advancement of Management.

The 4-day Plant Maintenance show, which opened Jan. 15 at Public Auditorium here, attracted more than 10,000 visitors. More than 170 companies exhibited

products and services. Theme was more efficient, cheaper plant upkeep.

Conference sessions, sponsored by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the Society for the Advancement of Management, featured talks by 44 experts on maintenance operations with emphasis centered on reducing maintenance costs.

At the sectional conference on maintenance in metalworking plants, F. A. French, chief plant engineer, John A. Roebling's Sons Co., Trenton, N. J., outlined a 13-point maintenance organization for larger plants.

## PA's Pay More in Extras After Steel Rise

**They feel cost pressure of higher extra charges on sheet and strip products after December base price rise . . . U. S. Steel Corp. is exception to trend of raising extra charges.**

**Pittsburgh**—After steel base price increases last December, purchasing agents for steel consumers began to feel the cost pressure of higher extra charges on sheet and strip products, advanced by some producers, with the notable exception of U. S. Steel Corp.

Depending on their source of supply, some steel users are paying more in extras on hot and cold-rolled sheets, hot-rolled strip, galvanized sheets, and long ternes.

### Increases in Extras

On the sheet and strip products they produce, extras were increased by Great Lakes Steel Corp., Weirton, Republic, Jones & Laughlin, Armco, Bethlehem, Youngstown Sheet & Tube, and others.

Hot-rolled sheet extra increases include: gage and width \$2 per ton on all gages 48-in. and narrower, and \$1 per ton over 48-in. up to 72-in.; side cutting, all gages and widths, generally up \$1 per ton; cut lengths, up from \$1 to \$3 per ton; closer than stand-

ard side cutting, \$1 to \$2 per ton; restricted tolerances, for not more than 75 pct of standard tolerance, \$5 per ton; for not more than 50 pct of standard tolerance, no change to \$5 per ton.

Some mills now charge an item quantity extra of \$3 to \$4 for quantities under 20,000 lb. to 10,000 lb., whereas the former minimum quantity without extra was 10,000 lb. Extra for under 10,000 lb. to 6,000 lb. is up \$4; under 6,000 lb. to 4,000 lb., up \$6; under 4,000 lb. to 2,000 lb., up \$5 to \$10; under 2,000 lb., up \$10.

Order quantity extra is up \$5; item extra for exact quantity up \$8; extra for circles up to \$2 in some instances; sketches up \$3 for regular, \$5 for irregular; a new outside inspection extra of \$3; resquaring extra up 5 pct; pickling extras up \$2; corrugated extra up \$3; oiling extra up \$3; greased edges up \$4; lined up \$3; breaker passed or back coiled up \$3; some heat treatment extras up \$4 to \$5; quality extras generally up \$2; specific and restricted test requirements generally up \$2; pack-

## No Chrome Stainless Cuts

**Pittsburgh**—There will be no immediate restrictions on the use of straight chrome grades of stainless steel for civilian purposes.

The government's order limiting civilian applications of stainless, expected shortly, will apply only to the nickel-chrome grades, or 300 series. There is nothing in the works at the present time pertaining to straight chrome types. NPA feels there is no need just now to restrict straight chrome applications for non-defense use.

aging extras up \$1.50 to \$8 per ton on cut lengths; \$2.50 to \$5 per coil, and 50¢ to \$16 per package.

Extra advances on cold-rolled sheets are generally the same as for hot-rolled. Cold-rolled gage and width extras are up \$2 for widths of 48-in. and under, and \$1 for widths over 48-in. to 72-in. Length extras are up from \$1 to \$6, although on the popular sizes the range of increase is \$1 to \$2. Cold-rolled primes only are up \$5. Circles are up \$2, sketch extras \$3; a new inspection extra, \$3.

On hot-rolled strip, gage and width extras for all thicknesses are up \$1 on 2-in. wide, and \$2 for over 2-in. to 12 in. Pickling extras are up \$1 to \$2; extras for cutting to length up \$1 to \$3; packaging extras up 50¢ to \$3.

### Coating Extras Up, Too

Galvanized sheet flattening extras are up \$2 for 22 gage and heavier. Resquaring extra, not stretcher leveled, increased from 10 pct to 15 pct; if stretcher leveled, up from 12½ pct to 17½ pct. Packaging, quantity, and processing extras are revised.

All gage and width extras on long ternes are up \$2. The length extra for 60-in. to 96-in. is now \$4 for all gages instead of the former range of \$1 to \$4. An extra of \$8 now exists for lengths of 96-in. to 144-in., where there was none before. Coating extra for heavier than commercial, up \$3.



## Bethlehem Unwraps Huge New Expansion Plan

**Capacity to be expanded 1.6 million tons by end of next year  
... Expanded 1 million tons last year ... Total cost is placed  
at about \$300 million—By Bob Hatschek.**

New York—Bethlehem Steel Co. is continuing the expansion which added 1,000,000 ingot tons of capacity in 1950 with an additional 1,600,000 tons which will bring Bethlehem's total capacity to 17,600,000 tons by the end of 1952. The total 2,600,000 ton program will cost about \$300 million. It includes openhearth, blast furnaces, rolling mills, coke ovens, ore facilities, more power, transportation and other facilities.

This is Bethlehem's answer to other steel firms who, in planning to build new mills in the East, are invading Bethlehem's traditional territory. These eastern expansions point to a highly competitive steel market in this area when they are completed. The short-range defense program, however, is of prime importance.

The breakdown of new steel facilities is: Lackawanna, 1,080,000 tons; Sparrows Point, 740,000 tons; Steelton, 352,000 tons; Bethlehem, 188,000 tons; Johnstown, 180,000 tons; and Los Angeles, 60,000 tons.

### Add Blast Furnace Capacity

A new blast furnace is to be built at Lackawanna and a sintering plant is going up at Sparrows Point along with other improvements to blast furnace equipment at these and other plants. A 76-oven battery and a 65-oven battery to be built at Lackawanna and Sparrows Point, respectively, will join the two 77-oven coke batteries already authorized last year for Johnstown in supplying blast furnaces with needed coke.

Necessary raw materials are included in the program with the acquisition and development of new ore, coke and limestone sources. Existing coal and limestone facilities have already been improved.

Besides planned improvements on its short line railroads, Beth-

lehem intends to build two new Great Lakes ore ships which will have enough capacity to haul a total of 1,400,000 tons of ore and limestone per year.

The first shipment of ore from the company's Venezuelan mines is expected to reach this country in a few weeks and it is expected that this source will supply about 1,000,000 tons of ore this year and the yield will increase annually thereafter. Other ore reserves are to be tapped and the output of mines already producing is to be increased.

Also reported is the acquisition by Bethlehem of land along the St. Lawrence River which is said by a Bethlehem spokesman to be for mining purposes.

Bethlehem reports encouraging progress in their work on the beneficiating of low-grade taconite ores. At the Cornwall, Pa., plant the company has recently added pelletizing to the concentrating and sintering operations that have been under way for years.

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## CONTROLS *digest*

For more details see "You and Government Controls," The Iron Age, Jan. 4, 1951, p. 365. For full text of NPA regulations write U. S. Dept. of Commerce, Div. of Printing Service, Room 6225, Washington 25, D. C.

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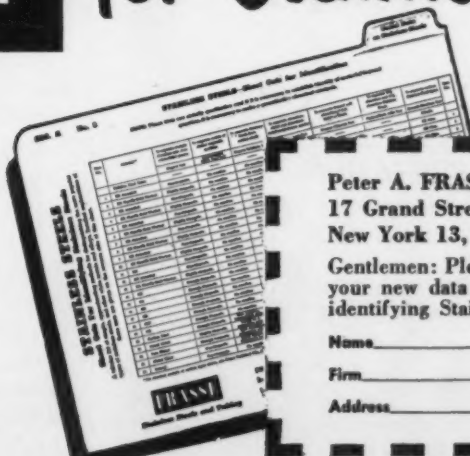
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**Some Warehouses Snub Small Firms on Steel, Claims NPA Man**

Washington—More and more complaints are coming in from small manufacturers that some steel warehouses refuse to sell more critical steel items except on DO ratings, wrote D. B. Carson, director of the Iron and Steel Div. of NPA, to Walter S. Doxsey, president of American Steel Warehouse Assn.

Mr. Carson said that deliberate withdrawal of products from the market by warehouses to sell only on rated orders and thus secure more steel is a violation of order M-6 and may force a revision of the order unless "the few warehouses that seek advantage" cease the practice.

Mr. Carson continued that the order was issued to provide "a flow of steel products through warehouses" to small consumers normally dependent on them. He said that these users do not yet have DO's to a great degree.

**ESA, Steel Industry Meetings Yield Voluntary Price Controls**

Washington—In the first action of its kind, Economic Stabilization Agency has given the green light to voluntary price stabilization for the iron and steel industry.

Officially, the action is a formal request by ESA that the industry freeze prices of major iron and steel items at Jan. 15 levels and not to raise prices without first giving ESA a 20-day notice.

Such a program had been worked out at meetings between representatives of the industry and ESA. The industry agreed to go along with the government providing that the Federal Trade Commission and Justice Dept. did not object. Both approved.

The established price would be the highest price in the 30 days before Jan. 15. The mills would not change customary price practices, such as price differentials, allowances, etc., in such a way as to increase the net return under the frozen price.



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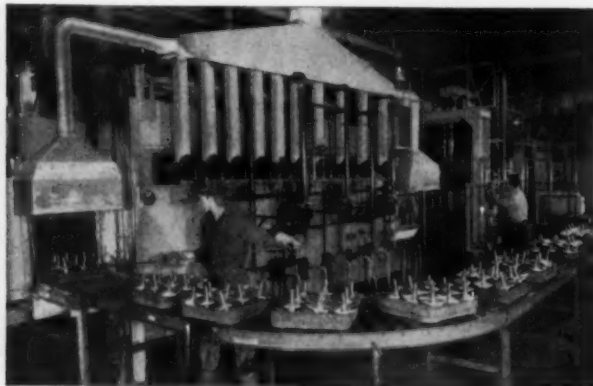
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## Wheeling Builds Battery of 63 Coke Ovens at East Steubenville

Wheeling, W. Va. — Wheeling Steel Corp. is building a new battery of 63 coke ovens at its East Steubenville Works, an \$8,750,000 project that will increase coke output from 120,000 tons to 145,000 tons per month.

The company also launched a new diesel-powered towboat, the *Capt. R. E. Reed*, at Decatur, Ala., where it was built by the Ingalls Ship Building Corp. The \$96,000 boat replaces the *D. A. B.*, wrecked against a dam near Harmarville, Pa., last summer after the crew had rescued four persons from a yacht that had plunged over the dam. The boat will be used to push coal barges down the Allegheny and Ohio rivers to the plant.

Koppers Co. will build the coke ovens. Wheeling Steel now operates 251 units. To handle increased coal requirements, ten new coal barges will be added to the present fleet of 83.

## U. S. Steel Ingot Capacity Up Sharply in Principal Areas

Pittsburgh—U. S. Steel Corp. ingot capacity in the Pittsburgh, Youngstown, and Chicago districts is up 1,661,600 tons over last year. Total capacity in these areas now tops 24,340,000 tons.

Pittsburgh area capacity is up 1,064,700 tons, Chicago 456,900 tons, and Youngstown 140,000.

This expansion was accomplished through enlargement of existing melting facilities, plus installation of modern, more efficient, and larger handling facilities and use of more iron ore sinter.

## Belt Speeds Coal from Mine

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### Pittsburgh Steel, Allegheny Ludlum Merger Decision Expected

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Pittsburgh — Merger of Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp. and Pittsburgh Steel Co. is a distinct probability.

The two companies have inspected each other's facilities and have held formal discussions of terms. The decision, one way or another, will be made within a relatively short time. The question may be put to stockholders this spring.

Both companies are taking a good look at each other's financial structure and profit potential. Even advertising techniques of each company are being examined.

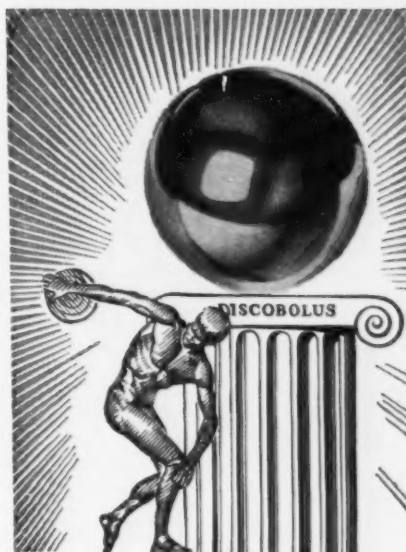
There would be no necessity to seek Dept. of Justice approval for the merger. The products produced by the companies conflict, so there would be no question of competition.

#### A Sensible Merger

The merger would be logical. Allegheny Ludlum is a leading producer of stainless and other alloy steels, plus a relatively small tonnage of carbon strip. It is semi-integrated and depends on others for its pig iron. Pittsburgh Steel is integrated, produces carbon seamless tubing and wire products, and will shortly enter the flat-rolled sheet and strip field for the first time.

Pittsburgh Steel has an excess of production, Allegheny Ludlum an excess of finishing facilities. At the present time, Pittsburgh Steel is selling part of the 950,000 tons of pig iron it produces annually in the open market. It is protected on iron ore.

Pittsburgh's present ingot capacity of 1,072,000 tons will shortly be increased to 1,560,000 tons. Allegheny Ludlum's ingot capacity is about 830,000 tons. Both companies have been expanding and modernizing their plants. Principal operations of both concerns are situated in western Pennsylvania.



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#### Scrap Committee, NPA Discuss Ways to Get More Scrap for War

Washington — Estimates that iron and steel scrap needs in 1951, year of expanded defense output, will surpass 1950 requirements of 29,700,000 tons by 3 million tons, prompted discussions between NPA and the Iron and Steel Scrap Industry Advisory Committee on methods to stimulate scrap.

Industry spokesman indicated that a concerted program will be needed to tap new scrap sources to meet the increased needs. The committee recommended securing more scrap from junked ships, release of obsolete machinery, recovery of street rails, recovery of metal from slag dumps, and a conservation program.

#### Ford to Build Rouge Coke Ovens

Detroit—Ford Motor Co. plans to open construction of 37 additional coke ovens at its Rouge plant. When the ovens are completed in late 1951, new capacity will be 1,430,000 tons annually. The ovens will furnish coke for new Ford foundry facilities being built at Cleveland and Rouge.

Ford also plans a coke screening plant and modernization of its coke byproducts plant.

#### Raise Steel Order Ceilings

Washington — Detailed changes were contained in an amendment to NPA M-1 issued this week, effective Jan. 22. Most percentage ceilings for acceptance of rated steel orders were raised, specific inventory controls at both production and consumption level were provided. Some ferrous products were added to the order and lead time of some items was changed.

A 45-day inventory is set for steel products and malleable and gray iron castings, while the maximum for pig iron is set at 30 days or a minimum working level. Percentage ceilings for acceptance of DO rated orders were also changed.

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### Seek NPA Aid in Chrome Shipping

Washington — NPA was asked last week to help break shipping bottlenecks in chrome ore imports.

Representatives of the ferrochromium industry told NPA that expansion of their industry is well under way but production is hampered by difficulties in obtaining ore. Also, the industry is having difficulties in obtaining machinery and equipment.

In particular, the industry recommended that the ore pier at Beira, Africa, be set aside for handling chrome ore.

### Expand Volta Redonda Capacity

Sao Paulo—Capacity of Volta Redonda, Brazil's pride and joy in steelmaking, will be expanded by 150,000 tons. Last year the mill produced 300,000 tons of steel, bettering 1949 output by about 75,000 tons.

Now under construction are a new blast furnace, two open-hearths, 21 coal chambers, and new rolling mill units. The mill now provides about 35 pct of Brazil's steel needs.

### Alcoa Anti-Trust Suit Ended

New York — The 14-year-old anti-trust suit against Aluminum Co. of America was ended this week when Federal Judge John C. Knox accepted a stock disposal plan submitted by shareholders of Alcoa and Aluminum, Ltd., of Canada. Under the plan Alcoa shareholders will sell their holdings in the Canadian company over a 10-year period.

### Mobile Plant Buys Local Foundry

Mobile, Ala. — The Pullman Stove & Pulley Mfg. Co. has purchased the foundry of Waterman Steamship Co. here.

The property consists of seven buildings on a 25-acre tract. It was used to supply Waterman Shipbuilding Corp., a subsidiary. The shipbuilding company will continue to obtain its requirements from the foundry.

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## STEEL CONSTRUCTION NEWS

Fabricated steel awards this week included the following:

- 650 Tons, Philadelphia, warehouse for Frankford Grocery Co., to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem.
- 600 Tons, Salem, Mass., coal handling plant for New England Power Service Co. through William T. Donovan Co., Salem, to A. O. Wilson Structural Steel Co., Cambridge, Mass.
- 420 Tons, Dorchester, Mass., new Carney Hospital (now situated in South Boston, Mass.), to A. O. Wilson Structural Steel Co., Cambridge, Mass.
- 210 Tons, Tolland, Conn., two span girder bridge, grading and drainage on Wilbur Cross Highway. Enfield Construction Co., Thompsonville, Conn., low bidder.
- 150 Tons, Philadelphia, Widener Memorial School, to Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem.

Reinforcing bar awards this week included the following:

- 2000 Tons, Paducah, Ky., Powerhouse, to Concrete Steel Co.
- 1000 Tons, Evergreen Park, Ill., shopping center, to Ceco Steel Products Co., Chicago.
- 835 Tons, Milwaukee, Alverno College, to Ceco Steel Products Co., Chicago.
- 660 Tons, Eastlake, Ohio, Cleveland and Electric Illuminating Co., to U. S. Steel Supply Co.
- 650 Tons, Chicago, Harris Trust Bank vault, to Joseph T. Ryerson and Son, Chicago.

650 Tons, Chicago, Racine Avenue Pumping station sanitary district, to U. S. Steel Supply Co., Chicago.

500 Tons, Marietta, Ohio, Electro Metallurgical-Union Carbon and Carbide Co., to Bethlehem Steel Co.

375 Tons, Westville, Ind., hospital, to U. S. Steel Supply Co., Chicago.

315 Tons, Cincinnati, Beechmont Levy, to Pollak Steel Co., Cincinnati.

205 Tons, Gary, Ind., Municipal Court and Jail, to Olney J. Dean Co., Chicago.

200 Tons, Shelby, Ohio, Shelby Mutual Insurance building, to Pollak Steel Co., Cincinnati.

200 Tons, Wayne County, Ohio, project 540, to Pollak Steel Co., Cincinnati.

200 Tons, Meigs and Athens Counties, Ohio, project 519, to Truscon Steel Co.

175 Tons, Dayton, Oakview School, to Truscon Steel Co.

157 Tons, Freeport, Maine, project on Route 1, extending around Freeport Village. W. H. Hinman, Inc., North Anson, Maine, low bidder.

150 Tons, Tiffin, Ohio, American Radiator and Standard Sanitary Co., to U. S. Steel Supply Co.

140 Tons, Akron, Ohio, state highway project 492, to U. S. Steel Supply Co.

120 Tons, Chicago, International Harvester Co. vocational school, to Joseph T. Ryerson and Son, Chicago.

100 Tons, Detroit, annealing furnace, Ford Motor Co., to U. S. Steel Supply Co.

Reinforcing bar inquiries this week included the following:

1300 Tons, Chicago, Veterans Administration regional office and clinic building No. 11.

1200 Tons, Cincinnati, U. S. Engineers job.

600 Tons, Chicago, Twin Towers Apts. 335 Tons, Saginaw, Mich., sewage treatment plant.

290 Tons, Cleveland, St. Charles Hospital.

250 Tons, Detroit, U. S. Rubber Co. warehouse.

180 Tons, Blue Island, Ill., Illinois Bell Telephone Co.

170 Tons, Arlington Heights, Ill., Illinois Bell Telephone Co.

125 Tons, Chicago, administration building, Millers National Insurance Co.

100 Tons, Elmhurst, Ill., York community high school.

## Cuba Nicaro Plant Reopening To Give U. S. 15 Pct More Nickel

Washington — Nickel supplies for the United States are seen as being increased by more than 15 pct by the end of the year when the Nicaro nickel plant in Cuba is reactivated.

The General Services Administration last week signed an agreement by which the Mining Equipment Corp. of New York will operate the plant after it is put in operating condition by the Frederick A. Snare Corp. at a cost of \$5 million. The latter built the plant for the government in 1942. It has been inactive since 1947.

The rated capacity of the Nicaro works when constructed in 1942 was 43 million lb of high grade nickel oxide which would work out to about 32 million lb of nickel.

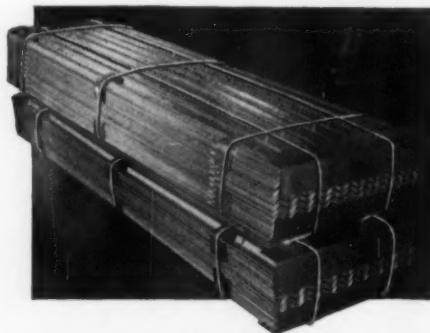
### Transportation Facilities

The Nicaro plant includes rail and port terminals and more than 30 industrial type buildings including a reduction furnace building, wet ore building, and a large machine shop. The power plant has six 1500 kw and one 3000 kw generating units.

A pilot plant will also be built where research facilities will be turned toward development of a new process for producing cobalt as a by-product. The process is also expected to increase the nickel recovery rate.

Although the operating company is a subsidiary of the Dutch firm N. V. Billiton Maatschappij, all the output will be taken by the U. S. government. Operation will be on a fee basis which is expected to produce nickel oxide at about 40¢ a lb of contained nickel.

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# IRON AGE *markets and prices*

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**financing contracts**—Methods of financing defense contracts and getting V-type loans were given by the Defense Dept. In order of military preference the financing procedures are: private lending, partial and progress payments, V-loans, and advance payment by the contracting agency. V-type loans will be authorized when defense contractors need financing in excess of what private lenders consider a normal risk. Branches of the armed services may guarantee the excess. Banks or financing agencies prepare the loan and send it to the interested military agency through the district Federal Reserve Bank.

**farm priority**—A program to take care of needs of farm equipment industry is being worked out. Members of the farm machinery industry have reported that they will be operating at a rate of 60 to 65 pct of that of last year by next June if they do not get help. The Agricultural Dept. is calling for a farm program equal to or greater than that of 1950.

**Jorgensen invades midwest**—Earl E. Jorgensen Co., steel distributors in Los Angeles and Oakland, Calif., and Dallas and Houston, Tex., will reverse the East to West trend by establishing facilities in Chicago. A site has been purchased and construction of a new warehouse will start soon.

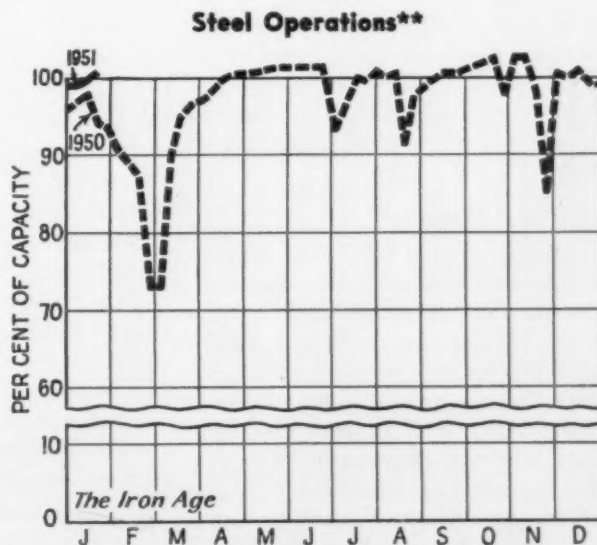
**steel for autos**—Auto producers are aware they face a losing fight to keep production up. The industry will do well if it comes out of the first half of 1951 with 75 to 80 pct of its 1950 rate of output. For the second half of 1951, the guesses are now 50 to 60 pct of the 1950 rate, and the rate may go lower than this.

**to handle products**—Bethlehem Supply Co., Tulsa, Okla., has completed an agreement with Tube Turns, Inc., of Louisville, Ky., to distribute the latter's products to the petroleum industry in California.

**expansion**—Great Lakes Steel Corp. has opened construction on a fourth blast furnace on Zug Island and several of its openhearthers are being rebuilt to raise capacity from 250 to 500 tons. The firm was granted a certificate of necessity for \$42,833,800 recently. When the present program is finished in 1952, annual ingot capacity will be increased from the present 2.4 million tons to 3.6 million. Finishing capacity is also growing. Cold-rolled capacity is expected to reach 200,000 tons a month.

**fluorspar**—Oglebay Norton & Co. has announced increases in the price of metallurgical grade fluorspar effective Jan. 15, as follows: Less than 60 pct, \$40; 70 pct or more, \$43.

**Kaiser at Permanente**—Kaiser interests are investing approximately \$1,700,000 to get its ferro-silicon plant at Permanente, Calif., in full production and to develop and enlarge its dolomite operations.



**District Operating Rates—Per Cent of Capacity\*\***

Week of	Pittsburgh	Chicago	Youngstown	Philadelphia	West	Buffalo	Cleveland	Detroit	Wheeling	South	Ohio River	St. Louis	East	Aggregate
Jan. 14.....	99.0*	101.0	96.0*	97.0*	103.8	104.0	97.0*	106.0	100.0	106.0	90.5	95.1	117.2	99.5
Jan. 21.....	98.0	100.5	95.5	99.0	106.7	104.0	98.0	106.0	101.0	106.0	91.0	95.1	111.3	101.0

\* Revised.

\*\* Beginning Jan. 1, 1951, operations are based on an annual capacity of 104,229,650 net tons.



## MILL PRODUCTS

(Cents per lb, unless otherwise noted)

## Aluminum

(Base 30,000 lb, f.o.b. ship. pt. frt. allowed)

Flat Sheet: 0.188 in., 2S, 3S, 30.1¢; 4S, 61S-O, 32¢; 62S, 34.1¢; 24S-O, 24S-OAL, 32.9¢; 75S-O, 75S-OAL, 39.9¢; 0.081 in., 2S, 3S, 31.2¢; 4S, 61S-O, 33.5¢; 62S, 35.5¢; 24S-O, 24S-OAL, 34.1¢; 75S-O, 75S-OAL, 41.8¢; 0.032 in., 2S, 3S, 32.9¢; 4S, 61S-O, 37.1¢; 62S, 39.8¢; 24S-O, 24S-OAL, 41.7¢; 75S-O, 75S-OAL, 52.2¢.

Plate: 1/4 in. and heavier: 2S, 3S-F, 28.3¢; 4S-F, 30.2¢; 62S-F, 31.8¢; 61S-O, 30.8¢; 24S-O, 24S-OAL, 32.4¢; 75S-O, 75S-OAL, 38.8¢.

Extruded Solid Shapes: Shape factors 1 to 5, 36.2¢ to 74.5¢; 12 to 14, 36.9¢ to 89¢; 24 to 36, 39.6¢ to 11.1¢; 36 to 38, 47.2¢ to 17.0¢.

Red, Rolled: 1.5 to 4.5 in., 2S-F, 3S-F, 37.5¢ to 33.5¢; cold-finished, 0.375 to 3 in., 2S-F, 3S-F, 40.5¢ to 35¢.

Screw Machine Stock: Rounds, 11S-T3, 1/4 to 1 1/2 in., 53.5¢ to 42¢; 1/2 to 1 1/4 in., 41.5¢ to 39¢; 1 1/2 to 3 in., 38.5¢ to 36¢; 17S-T4 lower by 1.5¢ per lb. Base 5000 lb.

Drawn Wire: Coiled, 0.051 to 0.374 in., 2S, 33.5¢ to 29¢; 62S, 48¢ to 35¢; 56S, 51¢ to 42¢; 17S-T4, 54¢ to 37.5¢; 61S-T4, 48.5¢ to 37¢; 76S-T6, 84¢ to 67.5¢.

Extruded Tubing, Rounds: 68S-T5, OD in. in. 1 1/4 to 2, 37¢ to 54¢; 2 to 4, 33.5¢ to 45.5¢; 4 to 6, 34¢ to 41.5¢; 6 to 9, 34.5¢ to 43.5¢.

Reeling Sheet, Flat: 0.019 in. x 28 in. per sheet, 72 in., 11.14¢; 96 in., 11.52¢; 120 in., 11.90¢; 144 in., 12.28¢. Gage 0.024 in. x 28 in., 72 in., 11.879¢; 96 in., 11.839¢; 120 in., 12.299¢; 144 in., 12.759¢. Coiled Sheet: 0.019 in. x 28 in., 12.5¢ per lb.; 0.024 in. x 28 in., 26.9¢ per lb.

## Magnesium

(F.o.b. mill, freight allowed)

Sheet and Plate: FS1-O, 1/4 in. 63¢; 3/16 in. 64¢; 1/8 in. 67¢; B & S Gage 10, 63¢; 12, 72¢; 14, 78¢; 16, 85¢; 18, 93¢; 20, 105¢; 22, 112¢; 24, 117¢. Specification grade higher. Base: 10,000 lb.

Extruded Round Rod: M, diam in., 1/4 to 3/16 in., 74¢; 1/2 to 3/4 in., 57.5¢; 1/2 to 1.749 in., 68¢; 2 1/2 to 5 in., 48.5¢. Other alloys higher. Base: Up to 1/2 in. diam, 10,000 lb; 1/2 to 2 in., 20,000 lb; 2 in. and larger, 30,000 lb.

Extruded Solid Shapes, Rectangles: M, 1 in weight per ft. for perimeters less than size indicated, 0.10 to 0.11 lb, 3.5 in., 62.3¢; 0.22 to 0.25 lb, 5.9 in., 59.3¢; 0.50 to 0.59 lb, 8.6 in., 56.7¢; 1.8 to 2.59 lb, 19.5 in., 55.8¢; 4 to 6 lb, 28 in., 49¢. Other alloys higher. Base, in weight per ft of shape: Up to 1/2 lb, 10,000 lb; 1/2 to 1.80 lb, 20,000 lb; 1.80 lb and heavier, 10,000 lb.

Extruded Round Tubing: M, wall thickness, outside diam, in., 0.049 to 0.057, 1/4 in. to 5/16, 11.40¢; 5/16 to 3/4, 11.26¢; 3/4 to 1, 11.14¢; 1 to 2 in., 76¢; 0.165 to 0.219, 1/2 to 3/4, 61¢; 1 to 2 in., 57¢; 3 to 4 in., 56¢. Other alloys higher. Base, OD in. in.: Up to 1 1/4 in., 10,000 lb; 1 1/4 in. to 3 in., 20,000 lb; 3 in. and larger, 30,000 lb.

## Titanium

(10,000 lb. base, f.o.b. mill)

Commercially pure and alloy grades: Sheet and strip, HR or CR, \$15; Plate, HR, \$12; Wire, rolled and/or drawn, \$10; Bar, HR or forged, \$6; Forgings, \$6.

## Nickel and Monel

(Base prices, f.o.b. mill)

## "A" Nickel Monel

	Sheets	Rods	Extruded Shapes
Copper, cold-rolled	71 1/2	57	
Strip, cold-rolled	77 1/2	60	
Rods and bars	67 1/2	55	
Angles, hot-rolled	67 1/2	55	
Plates	69 1/2	56	
Seamless tubes	100 1/2	90	
Shot and blocks		50	

## Copper, Brass, Bronze

(Freight prepaid on 200 lb includes duty)

	Sheets	Rods	Extruded Shapes
Copper	41.03		40.63
Copper, h-r		36.88	
Copper, drawn		38.18	
Low brass	39.15	38.84	
Yellow brass	38.28	37.97	
Red brass	40.14	39.83	
Naval brass	43.08	38.61	38.07
Leaded brass		32.63	36.70
Com'l bronze	41.13	40.82	
Mang. bronze	45.96	40.65	41.41
Phos. bronze	60.30	60.45	
Muntz metal	40.43	36.74	37.99
NI silver, 10 pct	49.27	51.49	
Arch. bronze			35.11

## PRIMARY METALS

(Cents per lb, unless otherwise noted)

Aluminum ingot, 99+%, 10,000 lb, freight allowed ..... 19.00

Aluminum pig ..... 18.00

Antimony, American, Laredo, Tex. .... 42.00

Beryllium copper, 3.75-4.25% Be. .... \$1.54

Beryllium aluminum 5% Be, Dollars per lb contained Be ..... \$69.00

Bismuth, ton lots ..... \$2.25

Cadmium, del'd ..... \$2.55

Cobalt, 97-99% (per lb) ..... \$2.10 to \$2.17

Copper, electro, Conn. Valley ..... 24.50

Copper, Lake, delivered ..... 24.625

Gold, U. S. Treas., dollars per oz. .... \$35.00

Indium, 99.8%, dollars per troy oz. .... \$2.25

Iridium, dollars per troy oz. .... \$200

Lead, St. Louis ..... 16.80

Lead, New York ..... 17.00

Magnesium, 99.8+%, f.o.b. Freeport, Tex., 10,000 lb ..... 24.50

Magnesium, sticks, 100 to 500 lb ..... 42.00 to 44.00

Mercury, dollars per 76-lb flask f.o.b. New York ..... \$225.00

Nickel, electro, f.o.b. New York ..... 53.55

Nickel oxide sinter, f.o.b. Copper Cliff, Ont., contained nickel ..... 46.75

Palladium, dollars per troy oz. .... \$24.00

Platinum, dollars per troy oz. .... \$90 to \$93

Silver, New York, cents per oz. .... 90.16

Tin, New York ..... 11.77

Titanium, sponge ..... 35.00

Zinc, East St. Louis ..... 17.50

Zinc, New York ..... 18.22

Zirconium copper, 50 pct ..... \$6.20

## REMELTED METALS

## Brass Ingot

(Cents per lb delivered, carloads)

85-5-5-5 ingot ..... 29.00

No. 115 ..... 29.00

No. 120 ..... 28.50

No. 123 ..... 28.00

80-10-10 ingot ..... 35.00

No. 305 ..... 31.00

No. 315 ..... 31.00

83-10-2 ingot ..... 46.25

No. 210 ..... 42.25

No. 215 ..... 36.00

No. 245 ..... 36.00

Yellow ingot ..... 25.00

No. 405 ..... 29.75

Manganese bronze ..... 29.75

No. 421 ..... 29.75

## Aluminum Ingot

(Cents per lb, 30,000 lb lots)

95-5 aluminum-silicon alloys

0.30 copper, max. .... 33.25-34.25

0.60 copper, max. .... 33.00-34.00

Piston alloys (No. 122 type) .... 30.50-31.00

No. 12 alum. (No. 2 grade) .... 30.00-30.50

108 alloy ..... 30.25-30.75

195 alloy ..... 31.25-31.75

13 alloy ..... 33.50-34.00

ASX-679 ..... 30.50-31.00

Steel deoxidizing aluminum, notch-bar granulated or shot

Grade 1—95-97 1/2% ..... 32.00-32.50

Grade 2—92-95% ..... 30.25-30.75

Grade 3—90-92% ..... 29.25-29.75

Grade 4—85-90% ..... 28.75-29.25

## ELECTROPLATING SUPPLIES

## Anodes

(Cents per lb, freight allowed, 500 lb lots)

Copper

Cast, oval, 15 in. or longer ..... 29 1/4

Electrodeposited ..... 23 1/4

Roller, oval, straight, delivered ..... 28 1/4

Forged ball anodes ..... 43

Brass, 80-20

Cast, oval, 15 in. or longer ..... 24 1/4

Zinc, oval ..... 24 1/4

Ball anodes ..... 25 1/4

Nickel 99 pct plus

Cast ..... 70.50

Roller, depolarized ..... 71.50

Cadmium ..... \$2.80

Silver 999 fine, roller, 100 oz lots, per troy oz, f.o.b. Bridgeport, Conn. .... 79 1/4

## Chemicals

(Cents per lb, f.o.b. shipping points)

Copper cyanide, 100 lb drum ..... 52.15

Copper sulfate, 99.5 crystals, bbl. .... 12.85

Nickel salts, single or double, 4-100 lb bags, frt allowed ..... 20 1/4

Nickel chloride, 375 lb drum ..... 27 1/4

Silver cyanide, 100 oz lots, per oz. .... 67 1/4

Sodium cyanide, 95 pct domestic 200 lb drums ..... 19.25

Zinc cyanide, 100 lb drums ..... 45.85

## SCRAP METALS

## Brass Mill Scrap

(Cents per pound, add 1/2¢ per lb for shipments of 20,000 to 40,000 lb; add 1¢ for more than 40,000 lb)

	Heavy	Turn-ings
Copper	23	23 1/2
Yellow brass	20 1/4	18 1/4
Red brass	21 1/4	20 1/4
Comm. bronze	21 1/4	21
Mang. bronze	19 1/4	18 1/4
Brass rod ends	19 1/4	

## Custom Smelters' Scrap

(Cents per pound, carload lots, delivered to refinery)

No. 1 copper wire ..... 21.50

No. 2 copper wire ..... 20.00

Light copper ..... 19.00

Refinery brass ..... 19.50\*

Radiators ..... 15.00

\*Dry copper content.

## Ingot Makers' Scrap

(Cents per pound, carload lots, delivered to producer)

No. 1 copper wire ..... 23.00

No. 2 copper wire ..... 22.00

Light copper ..... 21.00

No. 1 composition ..... 22.00

No. 1 comp. turnings ..... 21.50

Roller brass ..... 18.50

Brass pipe ..... 20.50

Radiators ..... 17.50

Heavy yellow brass ..... 17.00

## Aluminum

Mixed old cast ..... 18 1/4—19

Mixed new clips ..... 20 1/4

Mixed turnings, dry ..... 18 1/4

Pots and pans ..... 18 1/4—19

Low copper ..... 21 1/4—22

## Dealers' Scrap

(Dealers' buying prices, f.o.b. New York in cents per pound)

## Copper and Brass

No. 1 heavy copper and wire ..... 19 1/4—20

No. 2 heavy copper and wire ..... 18 —18 1/4

Light copper ..... 17 —17 1/4

New type shell cuttings ..... 17 —17 1/4

Auto radiators (unswaged) ..... 14 1/4—15

No. 1 composition ..... 17 —17 1/4

No. 1 composition turnings ..... 16 1/4—17

Clean red car boxes ..... 15 1/4—16

Cocks and faucets ..... 15 1/4—16

Mixed heavy yellow brass ..... 13 —13 1/4

Old rolled brass ..... 14 —14 1/4

Brass pipe ..... 17 —17 1/4

New soft brass clippings ..... 17 1/4—18

Brass rod ends ..... 16 1/4—17

No. 1 brass rod turnings ..... 16 —16 1/4

## Aluminum

Alum. pistons and struts ..... 12 —13

Aluminum crankcases ..... 15 —16

2S aluminum clippings ..... 18 1/4—19 1/4

Old sheet and utensils ..... 15 —16

Borings and turnings ..... 12 1/4—13

Misc. cast aluminum ..... 15 —16

Dural clips (24S) ..... 15 —16

## Zinc

New zinc clippings ..... 14 1/4—15

Old zinc ..... 11 —11 1/4

Zinc routings ..... 8 —8

Old die cast scrap ..... 8 —8 1/4

## Nickel and Monel

Pure nickel clippings ..... 60 —65

Clean nickel turnings ..... 57 —60

Nickel anodes ..... 60 —65

Nickel rod ends ..... 60 —65

New Monel Clippings ..... 22 —25

Clean Monel turnings ..... 18 —20

Old sheet Monel ..... 20 —22

Inconel clippings ..... 26 —28

Nickel silver clippings, mixed 13 —14

Nickel silver turnings, mixed 13 —13

## Lead

Soft scrap, lead ..... 15 —15 1/4

Battery plates (dry) ..... 8 1/4—9

## Magnesium

Segregated solids ..... 9 —10

Castings ..... 5 1/4—6 1/4

## Miscellaneous

Block tin ..... 90 —100

No. 1 pewter ..... 63 —65

No. 1 auto babbitt ..... 58 —60

Mixed common babbitt ..... 12 1/4—12 1/2

Solder joints ..... 18 1/4—19

Siphon tops ..... 58 —60

Small foundry type ..... 16 1/4—16 1/2

Monotype ..... 14 1/4—15

Lino. and stereotype ..... 14 1/4—14 1/2

Electrotype ..... 12 1/4—13

Hand picked type shells ..... 11 1/4—11 1/2

Lino. and stereo. dross ..... 8 —8 1/4

Electro. dross ..... 6 1/4—6 1/2



# SCRAP *iron and steel*

*markets  
prices  
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**Scrap men talk over ESA-bolstered rumor  
of price controls on scrap this week . . .  
Some areas report buying, others don't.**

Scrap men were trading rumors this week on the immediate imminence of a deep freeze on scrap prices. All the expectant buzzing in the field centered around a popular rumor that price controls were here, were coming tomorrow—or at any rate were due this week. The rumor was bolstered by an ESA statement that the order would go through this week after a few legal wrinkles had been ironed out. At press time the chill had not arrived but it was a short step to the brink.

Mills in some districts were buying right down to what seemed the controls deadline. Others, looking over their shoulders at higher scrap stocks, slowed up buying and waited for the price freeze and lower prices. In some markets, the price line was held. In others all sorts of upward surges were registered. So far, the formula was hurdled in Buffalo, Philadelphia, New York, Youngstown, and Boston. It proved that necessity could upset the best-laid plans and get ESA's dander up.

It was felt in Pittsburgh that, to be effective, the government would have to slap controls on the market immediately and that the order must specify that contracts in which the formula was scrapped be declared invalid.

**PITTSBURGH**—Mills here are holding out against higher prices in the hope of quick control action in Washington. To do any good, controls must be slapped on almost immediately, and any such order must specify that contracts in other areas where the so-called "formula" was tossed out not be completed. Otherwise consumers here would be starved while the

higher priced orders were completed. To bring scrap in from the East, local mills would have to pay \$56 to \$57. Meanwhile, little if any business is being transacted. Machine shop turnings were up 50¢.

**CHICAGO**—The scrap market here was stronger last week although no new mill buying of openhearth grades was evident. Reaction to higher prices paid in the eastern districts, diminishing dealer inventories and the need for completing unfilled orders were factors adding strength to the market. Brokers are paying \$45 and over to fill old orders for No. 1 heavy melting steel and reports have been heard of offerings over the formula for scrap to be shipped out of the area. Some foundries, unable to hold off any longer, are coming into the market and finding higher prices still prevailing.

**PHILADELPHIA**—Following last week's increases, blast furnace grades of scrap are \$2 per ton higher this week. Broker buying on railroad lists is very careful and some brokers were surprised to get scrap on their conservative bids. No. 1 heavy melting and No. 1 bundles were incorrectly quoted last week although some small consumers are buying at those prices. Correct price for last week and this week is \$47 to \$48.

**NEW YORK**—The trade here felt the force of heavy buying. Need offset the desire to wait out imminent controls and lower prices. Last week the formula cracked down the middle and the price of No. 1 heavy jumped to as high as \$44. All steelmaking grades hit the road up but there were some reports that the turnings group was softening.

**DETROIT**—With price controls just around the corner, no changes are being reported in Detroit scrap prices this week. However, the tone of the market continues strong. Reports of free scrap purchases in small tonnages as much as \$7 over the No. 1 electric furnace bundle price continue to come in. The reason these sales are not reflected in the price spread is the small volume of scrap involved and belief that price controls are imminent. Despite occasional reports of a soft gray iron market, there have been actual sales of representative material here during the past week at the prices quoted.

**CLEVELAND**—The scrap market was running wild here and in the Valley at

press time. Unofficially, the fireworks started last Thursday, when some Valley consumers began meeting competition from adjacent districts in the intermediate points. At least one major Valley consumer is paying \$51.50 for No. 1 heavy melting steel locally, and \$52.50 including springboards, for remote No. 1, in representative tonnages. Small remote tonnages of No. 1 have brought \$55, including springboards.

**ST. LOUIS**—While there has been some buying of scrap iron in the St. Louis industrial district at prices higher than the formula, it has been mostly by smaller operators. The formula is being generally observed so that prices are unchanged. Steel mills inventories are said to be low.

**BIRMINGHAM**—Owners of scrap who have been holding for higher prices now are attempting to sell everything they have in anticipation of a price rollback. The result is that scrap outside the immediate Birmingham district is moving north, where mills are taking practically everything offered. Scrap in the Birmingham district is moving to Republic's plant at Alabama City. Atlantic Steel, with a large supply on hand, has stopped buying.

**CINCINNATI**—Despite an epidemic of high prices in other districts, the market here was unchanged from last week. A certain amount of raiding is going on, but local brokers have not yet been authorized by the mills to meet the competition.

**BOSTON**—Steelmaking grades in the local market moved up \$4 per ton with some sales of No. 1 heavy melting reported as high as \$42. The market was very active with buyers and sellers trying to protect their positions before controls.

**BUFFALO**—Dealers who sold steelmaking scrap at \$5.75 to \$6.75 a ton above formula report little material has moved against orders as supplies continue to shrink. Mills reserve stocks have been hit hard to maintain output. A definite shortage was reported in receipts.

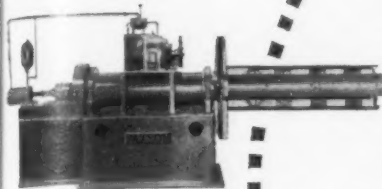
**WEST COAST**—The California market broke loose this week with tonnages of No. 1 heavy melting moving at prices up to \$34 a ton. Railroad scrap was outstanding with sales ranging to \$46 for No. 1 railroad heavy melting. Roads with trans-continental connections have found they can haul their scrap in otherwise empty freight cars to Chicago and obtain the current higher price there.

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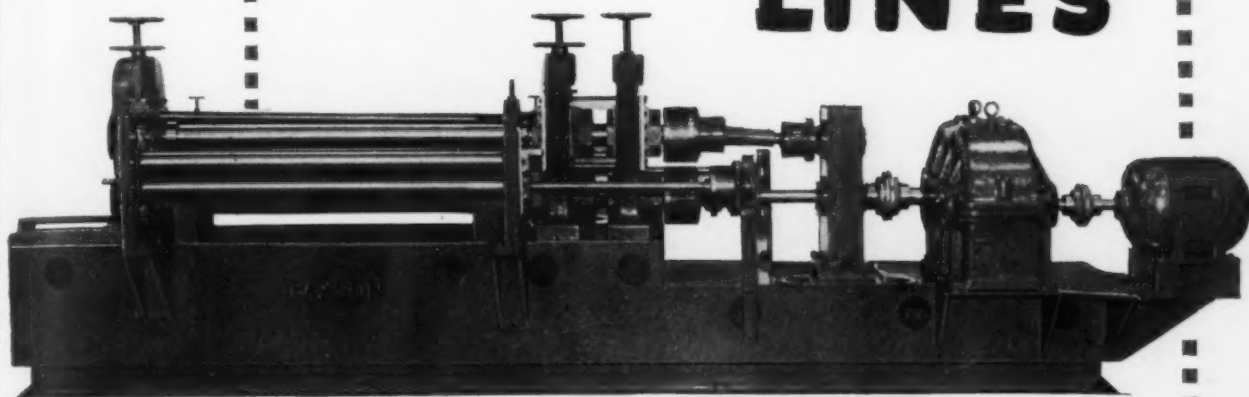
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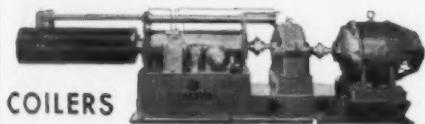


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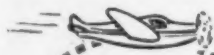
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## SCRAP PRICES

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### Pittsburgh

No. 1 hvy. melting	\$45.75 to \$46.50
No. 2 hvy. melting	43.75 to 44.50
No. 1 bundles	45.75 to 46.50
No. 2 bundles	42.75 to 43.50
Machine shop turn.	38.25 to 39.00
Mixed bor. and ms. turns	38.25 to 39.00
Shoveling turnings	39.75 to 40.50
Cast iron borings	39.75 to 40.50
Low phos. plate	56.00 to 56.50
Heavy turnings	46.50 to 47.00
No. 1 RR. hvy. melting	45.75 to 46.50
Scrap rails, random lgth.	64.50 to 65.00
Rails 2 ft and under	68.00 to 69.00
RR. steel wheels	63.00 to 64.00
RR. spring steel	63.00 to 64.00
RR. couplers and knuckles	63.00 to 64.00
No. 1 machinery cast	67.50 to 68.00
Mixed yard cast	57.50 to 58.00
Heavy breakable cast	52.50 to 53.00
Malleable	71.00 to 72.00

### Chicago

No. 1 hvy. melting	\$44.25 to \$45.00
No. 2 hvy. melting	42.00 to 43.00
No. 1 factory bundles	44.00 to 45.00
No. 1 dealers' bundles	44.00 to 45.00
No. 2 dealers' bundles	41.00 to 42.00
Machine shop turn.	36.00 to 37.00
Mixed bor. and turn.	36.00 to 37.00
Shoveling turnings	37.00 to 38.00
Cast iron borings	37.00 to 38.00
Low phos. forge crops	54.00 to 55.00
Low phos. plate	52.00 to 53.00
No. 1 RR. hvy. melting	47.00 to 48.00
Scrap rails, random lgth.	62.00 to 63.00
Rerolling rails	65.50 to 66.50
Rails 2 ft and under	67.00 to 69.00
Locomotive tires, cut	58.00 to 59.00
Cut bolsters & slide frames	54.00 to 55.00
Angles and splice bars	63.00 to 64.00
RR. steel car axles	95.00 to 100.00
RR. couplers and knuckles	58.00 to 59.00
No. 1 machinery cast	62.00 to 64.00
No. 1 agricul. cast	58.00 to 60.00
Heavy breakable cast	53.00 to 55.00
RR. grate bars	48.00 to 49.00
Cast iron brake shoes	52.00 to 53.00
Cast iron car wheels	58.00 to 59.00
Malleable	78.00 to 82.00

### Philadelphia

No. 1 hvy. melting	\$47.00 to \$48.00
No. 2 hvy. melting	44.00 to 45.00
No. 1 bundles	47.00 to 48.00
No. 2 bundles	42.00 to 43.00
Machine shop turn.	38.00 to 39.00
Mixed bor. and turn.	37.00 to 38.00
Shoveling turnings	40.00 to 41.00
Low phos. punchings, plate	51.00 to 52.00
Low phos. 5 ft and under	50.00 to 51.00
Low phos. bundles	50.00 to 51.00
Hvy. axle forge turn.	45.00 to 46.00
Clean cast chem. borings	44.00 to 45.00
RR. steel wheels	56.00 to 57.00
RR. spring steel	56.00 to 57.00
Rails 18 in. and under	66.00 to 67.00
No. 1 machinery cast	62.00 to 63.00
Mixed yard cast	53.00 to 55.00
Heavy breakable cast	53.00 to 54.00
Cast iron car wheels	67.00 to 68.00
Malleable	70.00 to 72.00

### Cleveland

No. 1 hvy. melting	\$51.00 to \$52.00
No. 2 hvy. melting	49.00 to 50.00
No. 1 busheling	51.00 to 52.00
No. 1 bundles	51.00 to 52.00
No. 2 bundles	48.00 to 49.00
Machine shop turn.	43.00 to 44.00
Mixed bor. and turn.	45.00 to 46.00
Shoveling turnings	45.00 to 46.00
Cast iron borings	45.00 to 46.00
Low phos. 2 ft and under	53.50 to 54.50
Steel axle turn.	50.00 to 51.00
Drop forge flashings	51.00 to 52.00
No. 1 RR. hvy. melting	51.50 to 52.00
Rails 3 ft and under	70.00 to 71.00
Rails 18 in. and under	72.00 to 73.00
No. 1 machinery cast	69.00 to 70.00
RR. cast.	71.00 to 72.00
RR. grate bars	50.00 to 51.00
Stove plate	55.00 to 56.00
Malleable	76.00 to 77.00

### Youngstown

No. 1 hvy. melting	\$51.50 to \$52.50
No. 2 hvy. melting	49.50 to 50.50
No. 1 bundles	51.50 to 52.50

No. 2 bundles	\$48.50 to \$49.50
Machine shop turn	43.50 to 44.50
Shoveling turnings	45.50 to 46.50
Cast iron borings	45.50 to 46.50
Low phos. plate	54.00 to 55.00

### Buffalo

No. 1 hvy. melting	\$51.25 to \$52.00
No. 2 hvy. melting	49.25 to 50.00
No. 1 bushelings	49.25 to 50.00
No. 1 bundles	50.25 to 51.00
No. 2 bundles	47.25 to 48.00
Machine shop turn.	43.25 to 44.00
Mixed bor. and turn.	43.25 to 44.00
Shoveling turnings	45.25 to 46.00
Cast iron borings	43.25 to 44.00
Low phos. plate	51.25 to 52.00
Scrap rails, random lgth.	55.00 to 56.00
Rails 2 ft and under	60.00 to 61.00
RR. steel wheels	60.00 to 61.00
RR. spring steel	60.00 to 61.00
RR. couplers and knuckles	60.00 to 61.00
No. 1 machinery cast	59.00 to 60.00
No. 1 cupola cast	54.00 to 55.00
Small indus. malleable	60.00 to 61.00

### Birmingham

No. 1 hvy. melting	\$42.50 to \$43.50
No. 2 hvy. melting	40.50 to 41.50
No. 2 bundles	39.50 to 40.50
No. 1 busheling	40.50 to 41.50
Machine shop turn.	34.00 to 35.00
Shoveling turnings	32.00 to 33.00
Cast iron borings	33.00 to 34.00
Bar crops and plate	47.00 to 48.00
Structural and plate	46.00 to 47.00
No. 1 RR. hvy. melting	43.00 to 44.00
Scrap rails, random lgth.	58.00 to 59.00
Rerolling rails	61.00 to 62.00
Rails 2 ft and under	66.00 to 67.00
Angles & splice bars	59.00 to 60.00
Std. steel axles	61.00 to 62.00
No. 1 cupola cast	54.00 to 55.00
Stove plate	49.00 to 50.00
Cast iron car wheels	46.00 to 47.00

### St. Louis

No. 1 hvy. melting	\$43.75 to \$44.50
No. 2 hvy. melting	41.75 to 42.50
No. 2 bundled sheets	40.75 to 41.50
Machine shop turn.	33.75 to 34.75
Shoveling turnings	36.50 to 37.50
Rails, random lengths	49.00 to 50.00
Rails 3 ft and under	62.00 to 63.00
Locomotive tires, uncut	50.00 to 51.00
Angles and splice bars	59.00 to 60.00
Std. steel car axles	90.00 to 95.00
RR. spring steel	53.00 to 54.00
No. 1 machinery cast	55.00 to 56.00
Hvy. breakable cast	48.00 to 49.00
Cast iron brake shoes	53.00 to 54.00
Stove plate	45.00 to 47.00
Cast iron car wheels	60.00 to 62.00
Malleable	55.00 to 57.00

### New York

Brokers' Buying prices per gross ton, on cars:	
No. 1 hvy. melting	\$42.00 to \$44.00
No. 2 hvy. melting	40.00
No. 2 bundles	39.00
Machine shop turn.	32.00 to 34.00
Mixed bor. and turn.	32.00 to 34.00
Shoveling turnings	34.00 to 36.00
Clean cast chem. bor.	40.00 to 41.00
No. 1 machinery cast	52.00 to 53.00
Mixed yard cast	47.00 to 48.00
Charging box cast	47.00 to 48.00
Heavy breakable cast	47.00 to 48.00
Unstrp. motor blocks	42.00 to 43.00

### Boston

Brokers' Buying prices per gross ton, on cars:	
No. 1 hvy. melting	\$35.67 to \$42.00
No. 2 hvy. melting	33.67 to 37.67
No. 1 bundles	38.00 to 42.00

No. 2 bundles	\$32.67 to \$36.67
Machine shop turn.	27.67
Mixed bor. and turn.	\$26.67 to 27.67
Shoveling turnings	29.67
No. 1 busheling	35.67
Clean cast chem. borings	35.00 to 36.00
No. 1 machinery cast	48.00 to 49.00
Mixed cupola cast	45.00 to 46.00
Heavy breakable cast	42.00 to 43.00
Stove plate	42.00 to 43.00

### Detroit

Brokers' Buying prices per gross ton, on cars:	
No. 1 hvy. melting	\$40.25
No. 2 hvy. melting	38.25
No. 1 bundles, openhearth	40.25
No. 1 bundles, electric furnace	42.75
New busheling	40.25
Flashings	40.25
Machine shop turn.	32.25
Mixed bor. and turn.	32.25
Shoveling turnings	34.25
Cast iron borings	34.25
Low phos. plate	42.75
No. 1 cupola cast	\$54.00 to 56.00
Heavy breakable cast	45.00 to 47.00
Stove plate	44.00 to 46.00
Automotive cast	58.00 to 60.00

### Cincinnati

Per gross ton, f.o.b. cars:	
No. 1 hvy. melting	\$44.25
No. 2 hvy. melting	42.25
No. 1 bundles	44.25
No. 2 bundles, black	42.25
No. 2 bundles, mixed	41.25
Machine shop turn.	32.00
Mixed bor. and turn.	34.00
Shoveling turnings	34.00
Cast iron borings	34.00
Low phos.-steel	46.75
Low phos. 18 in. under	62.00
Rails, random lengths	\$62.00 to 63.00
Rails, 18 in. and under	72.00 to 73.00
No. 1 cupola cast	65.00 to 66.00
Hvy. breakable cast	59.00 to 60.00
Drop broken cast	71.00 to 72.00

### San Francisco

No. 1 hvy. melting	\$30.00 to \$34.00
No. 2 hvy. melting	28.00 to 32.00
No. 1 bundles	30.00 to 34.00
No. 2 bundles	28.00 to 32.00
No. 3 bundles	25.00
Machine shop turn.	16.00 to 18.00
Elec. fur. 1 ft and under	40.00 to 42.50
No. 1 RR. hvy. melting	30.00 to 40.00
Scrap rails random lgth.	30.00 to 40.00
No. 1 cupola cast	43.00 to 46.00

### Los Angeles

No. 1 hvy. melting	\$30.00 to \$34.00
No. 2 hvy. melting	28.00 to 32.00
No. 1 bundles	30.00 to 34.00
No. 2 bundles	28.00 to 32.00
No. 3 bundles	25.00
Mach. shop turn.	16.00 to 18.00
Elec. fur. 1 ft and under	40.00 to 42.50
No. 1 RR. hvy. melting	30.00 to 40.00
Scrap rails random lgth.	30.00 to 40.00
No. 1 cupola cast	43.00 to 46.00

### Seattle

No. 1 hvy. melting	\$28.00
No. 2 hvy. melting	26.00
No. 1 bundles	28.00
No. 2 bundles	26.00
No. 3 bundles	18.00
Elec. fur. 1 ft and under	\$40.00 to 45.00
RR. hvy. melting	29.00
No. 1 cupola cast	45.00

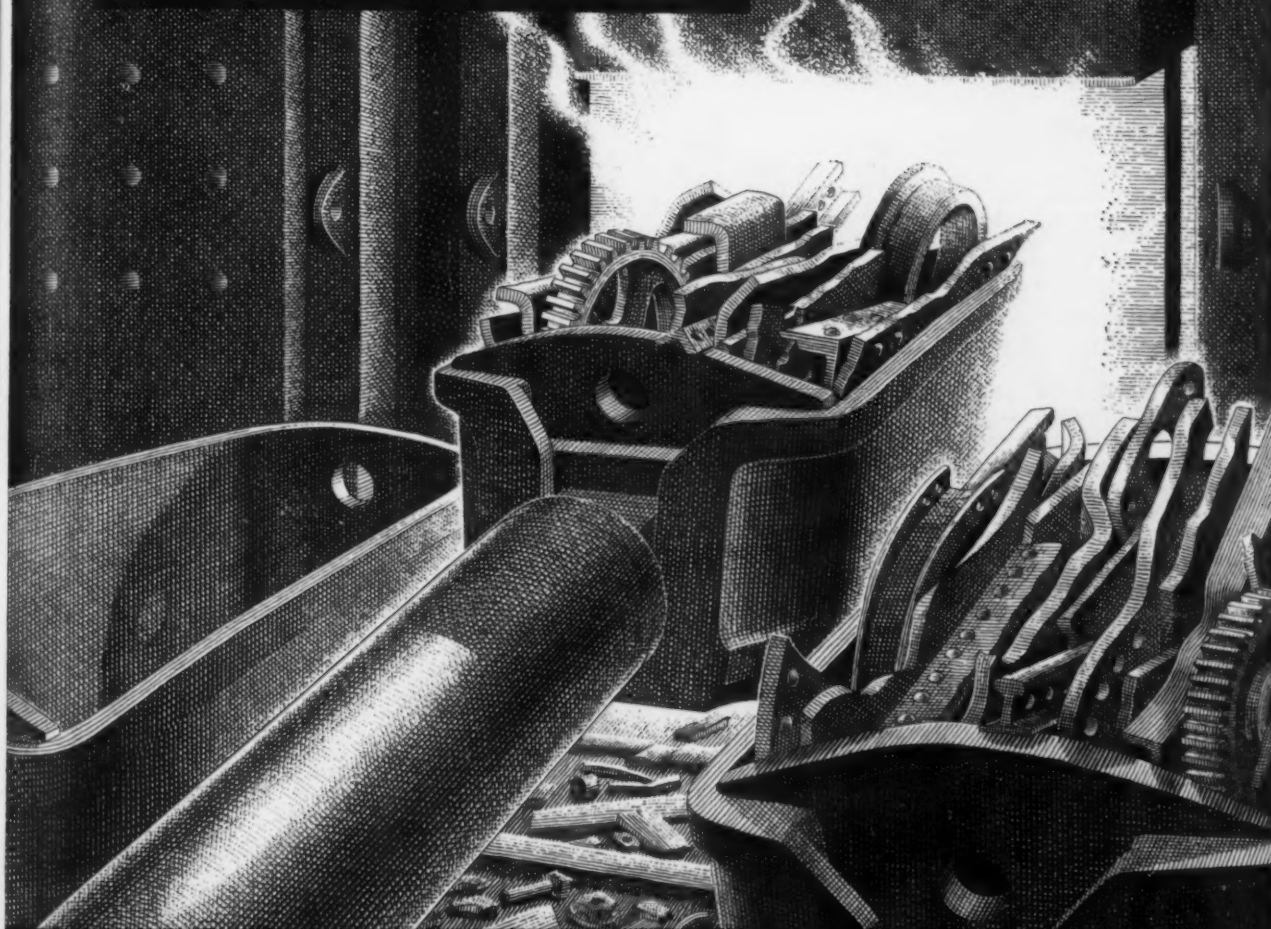
### Hamilton, Ont.

No. 1 hvy. melting	\$30.00
No. 1 bundles	30.00
No. 2 bundles	29.50
Mechanical bundles	28.00
Mixed steel scrap	26.00
Mixed bor. and turn.	22.00
Rails, remelting	30.00
Rails, rerolling	33.00
Bushelings	24.50
Bush., new fact. prep'd.	29.00
Bush., new fact. unprep'd.	23.00
Short steel turnings	21.00
Cast scrap	45.00




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## Comparison of Prices

Steel prices in this page are the average of various local quotations of major producing areas: Pittsburgh, Chicago, Gary, Cleveland, Youngstown.

Flat-Rolled Steel:	Jan. 23, 1951	Jan. 16, 1951	Dec. 26, 1950	Jan. 24, 1950
(cents per pound)	1951	1951	1950	1950
Hot-rolled sheets	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.35
Cold-rolled sheets	4.35	4.35	4.35	4.10
Galvanized sheets (10 ga)	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.40
Hot-rolled strip	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.25
Cold-rolled strip	4.75	4.75	4.75	4.21
Plate	3.70	3.70	3.70	3.50
Plates wrought iron	7.85	7.85	7.85	7.85
Stains C-R-strip (No. 302)	36.50	36.50	36.50	33.00

## Tin and Terneplate:

(dollars per base box)				
Tinplate (1.50 lb) cokes	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$7.50	\$7.50
Tinplate, electro (0.50 lb)	6.60	6.60	6.60	6.60
Special coated mfg. ternes	6.35	6.35	6.35	6.50

## Bars and Shapes:

(cents per pound)				
Merchant bars	3.70	3.70	3.70	3.45
Cold finished bars	4.55	4.55	4.55	3.995
Alloy bars	4.30	4.30	4.30	3.95
Structural shapes	3.65	3.65	3.65	3.40
Stainless bars (No. 302)	31.25	31.25	31.25	28.50
Wrought iron bars	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50

## Wire:

(cents per pound)				
Bright wire	4.85	4.85	4.85	4.50

## Rails:

(dollars per 100 lb)				
Heavy rails	\$3.60	\$3.60	\$3.60	\$3.40
Light rails	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.75

## Semifinished Steel:

(dollars per net ton)				
Rerolling billets	\$56.00	\$56.00	\$56.00	\$54.00
Slabs, rerolling	56.00	56.00	56.00	54.00
Forging billets	66.00	66.00	66.00	63.00
Alloy blooms billets, slabs	70.00	70.00	70.00	66.00

## Wire Rod and Skelp:

(cents per pound)				
Wire rods	4.10	4.10	4.10	3.85
Skelp	3.35	3.35	3.35	3.15

## Composite Prices

## Finished Steel Base Price

Jan. 23, 1951	4.131¢ per lb.
One week ago	4.131¢ per lb.
One month ago	4.131¢ per lb.
One year ago	3.837¢ per lb.

	High		Low
1951....	4.131¢ Jan. 2	4.131¢ Jan. 2	
1950....	4.131¢ Dec. 1	3.837¢ Jan. 3	
1949....	3.837¢ Dec. 27	3.3705¢ May 3	
1948....	3.721¢ July 27	3.193¢ Jan. 1	
1947....	3.193¢ July 29	2.848¢ Jan. 1	
1946....	2.848¢ Dec. 31	2.464¢ Jan. 1	
1945....	2.464¢ May 29	2.396¢ Jan. 1	
1944....	2.396¢	2.396¢	
1943....	2.396¢	2.396¢	
1942....	2.396¢	2.396¢	
1941....	2.396¢	2.396¢	
1940....	2.30467¢ Jan. 2	2.24107¢ Apr. 16	
1939....	2.35367¢ Jan. 3	2.26689¢ May 16	
1938....	2.58414¢ Jan. 4	2.27207¢ Oct. 18	
1937....	2.58414¢ Mar. 9	2.32263¢ Jan. 4	
1936....	2.32263¢ Dec. 28	2.05200¢ Mar. 10	
1932....	1.89196¢ July 5	1.83910¢ Mar. 1	
1929....	2.31773¢ May 28	2.26498¢ Oct. 29	

Weighted index based on steel bars, shapes, plates, wire, rails, black pipe, hot and cold-rolled sheets and strips, representing major portion of finished steel shipment. Index recapitulated in Aug. 28, 1941, issue and in May 12, 1949.

Price advances over previous week are printed in Heavy Type; declines appear in Italics

Pig Iron:	Jan. 23, 1951	Jan. 16, 1951	Dec. 26, 1950	Jan. 24, 1950
(per gross ton)	1951	1951	1950	1950
No. 2 foundry, del'd Phila.	\$57.77	\$57.77	\$57.77	\$50.42
No. 2, Valley furnace	52.50	52.50	52.50	46.50
No. 2, Southern Cin'ti.	55.58	55.58	55.58	47.08
No. 2, Birmingham	48.88	48.88	48.88	40.38
No. 2, foundry, Chicago†	52.50	52.50	52.50	46.50
Basic del'd Philadelphia	56.92	56.92	56.92	49.92
Basic, Valley furnace	52.00	52.00	52.00	46.00
Malleable, Chicago†	52.50	52.50	52.50	46.50
Malleable, Valley	52.50	52.50	52.50	46.50
Charcoal, Chicago	70.56	70.56	70.56	68.56
Ferromanganese†	186.25	186.25	181.20	173.40

†The switching charge for delivery to foundries in the Chicago district is \$1 per ton.

‡Average of U. S. prices quoted on Ferroalloy page.

## Scrap:

(per gross ton)				
Heavy melt'g steel, P'gh.	\$46.13	\$46.13	\$46.13	\$29.75
Heavy melt'g steel, Phila.	47.50	47.50*	44.50	23.00
Heavy melt'g steel, Ch'go	44.63	44.63	44.75	27.50
No. 1 hy. com. sh't, Det.	40.25	40.25	44.13	23.50
Low phos. Young'n.	54.50	48.63	48.63	30.75
No. 1 cast, Pittsburgh	67.75	67.75	67.75	37.50
No. 1 cast, Philadelphia	62.50	62.50	62.50	37.00
No. 1 cast, Chicago	63.00	63.00	65.00	38.50

## Coke: Connellsville:

(per net ton at oven)				
Furnace coke, prompt	\$14.25	\$14.25	\$14.25	\$14.00
Foundry coke, prompt	17.25	17.25	17.25	15.75

## Nonferrous Metals:

(cents per pound to large buyers)				
Copper, electro, Conn.	24.50	24.50	24.50	18.50
Copper, Lake, Conn.	24.625	24.625	24.625	18.625
Tin Straits, New York	\$1.77†	\$1.75*	1.55	75.50
Zinc, East St. Louis	17.50	17.50	17.50	9.75
Lead, St. Louis	16.80	16.80	16.80	11.80
Aluminum, virgin	19.00	19.00	19.00	17.00
Nickel, electrolytic	53.55	53.55	53.55	42.97
Magnesium, ingot	24.50	24.50	24.50	20.50
Antimony, Laredo, Tex.	42.00	32.00	32.00	28.75

†Tentative. \*Revised.

Starting with the issue of May 12, 1949, the weighted finished steel composite was revised for the years 1941 to date. The weights used are based on the average product shipments for the 7 years 1937 to 1940 inclusive and 1946 to 1948 inclusive. The use of quarterly figures has been eliminated because it was too sensitive. (See p. 130 of May 12, 1949, issue.)

## Pig Iron

.....	\$52.69 per gross ton....
.....	52.69 per gross ton....
.....	52.69 per gross ton....
.....	46.05 per gross ton....

## Scrap Steel

.....	\$46.08 per gross ton....
.....	46.08 per gross ton....
.....	45.13 per gross ton....
.....	26.75 per gross ton....

	High		Low
1951....	\$52.69 Jan. 2	\$52.69 Dec. 12	
1950....	52.69 Dec. 12	45.88 Jan. 3	
1949....	46.87 Jan. 18	45.88 Sept. 6	
1948....	46.91 Oct. 12	39.58 Jan. 6	
1947....	37.98 Dec. 30	30.14 Jan. 7	
1946....	30.14 Dec. 10	25.37 Jan. 1	
1945....	25.37 Oct. 23	23.61 Jan. 2	
1944....	\$23.61	\$23.61	
1943....	23.61	23.61	
1942....	23.61	23.61	
1941....	23.61	23.61	
1940....	\$23.61 Mar. 20	\$23.45 Jan. 2	
1939....	23.45 Dec. 23	22.61 Jan. 2	
1938....	22.61 Sept. 19	20.61 Sept. 12	
1937....	23.25 June 21	19.61 July 6	
1936....	32.25 Mar. 9	20.25 Feb. 16	
1935....	19.74 Nov. 24	18.73 Aug. 11	
1934....	14.81 Jan. 5	13.56 Dec. 6	
1933....	18.71 May 14	18.21 Dec. 17	

Based on averages for basic iron at Valley furnaces and foundry iron at Chicago, Philadelphia, Buffalo, Valley and Birmingham.

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	Pittsburgh	Chicago	Gary	Cleveland	Canton Mass- illon	Middle- town	Youngs- town	Bethle- hem	Buffalo	Conshe- hocken	Johns- town	Spar- rows Point	Granite City	Detroit
<b>INGOTS</b>														
Carbon forging, net ton	\$52.00 <sup>1</sup>													
Alloy, net ton	\$54.00 <sup>1.17</sup>													\$54.00 <sup>1</sup>
<b>BILLETS, BLOOMS, SLABS</b>														
Carbon, re-rolling, net ton	\$56.00 <sup>1.8</sup>	\$56.00 <sup>1</sup>	\$56.00 <sup>1</sup>						\$56.00 <sup>3</sup>		\$56.00 <sup>3</sup>			
Carbon forging billets, net ton	\$66.00 <sup>1.8</sup>	\$66.00 <sup>1.4</sup>	\$66.00 <sup>1</sup>	\$66.00 <sup>4</sup>	\$66.00 <sup>4</sup>				\$66.00 <sup>3.4</sup>	\$73.00 <sup>3.8</sup>	\$66.00 <sup>3</sup>			\$69.00 <sup>1</sup>
Alloy, net ton	\$70.00 <sup>1.17</sup>	\$70.00 <sup>1.4</sup>	\$70.00 <sup>1</sup>		\$70.00 <sup>4</sup>			\$70.00 <sup>3</sup>	\$70.00 <sup>3.4</sup>	\$77.00 <sup>3.8</sup>	\$70.00 <sup>3</sup>			\$73.00 <sup>1</sup>
<b>PIPE SKELP</b>	3.35 <sup>1</sup> 3.45 <sup>2</sup>						3.35 <sup>1.4</sup>							
<b>WIRE RODS</b>	4.10 <sup>2</sup> 4.30 <sup>1.8</sup>	4.10 <sup>2.4.32</sup>	4.10 <sup>2</sup>	4.10 <sup>2</sup>			4.10 <sup>2</sup>				4.10 <sup>2</sup>	4.20 <sup>3</sup>		
<b>SHEETS</b>														
Hot-rolled (18 ga. & hvr.)	3.60 <sup>1.8.9.12</sup> 3.75 <sup>2.8</sup>	3.60 <sup>2.8</sup>	3.60 <sup>1.8.8</sup>	3.60 <sup>4</sup>		3.60 <sup>7</sup>	3.60 <sup>1.4.8</sup> 4.00 <sup>1.3</sup>		3.60 <sup>3</sup>	4.00 <sup>2.8</sup>		3.60 <sup>3</sup>		3.80 <sup>1.3</sup> 4.40 <sup>4.7</sup>
Cold-rolled	4.35 <sup>1.8.9.12</sup> 5.35 <sup>2.8</sup>		4.35 <sup>1.8.8</sup>	4.35 <sup>4</sup>		4.35 <sup>7</sup>	4.35 <sup>4.8</sup>		4.35 <sup>3</sup>			4.35 <sup>3</sup>		4.55 <sup>1.3</sup>
Galvanized (10 gage)	4.80 <sup>1.8.12</sup>		4.80 <sup>1.8</sup>		4.80 <sup>4</sup>	4.80 <sup>7</sup>	6.00 <sup>4.4</sup>					4.80 <sup>3</sup>		
Enameling (12 gage)	4.65 <sup>1</sup>		4.65 <sup>1.8</sup>			4.65 <sup>7</sup>								
Long ternes (10 gage)	5.20 <sup>1.12</sup>						6.00 <sup>4.4</sup>							
Hi str. low alloy, h.r.	5.40 <sup>1.8</sup> 5.75 <sup>2</sup>	5.40 <sup>1</sup>	5.40 <sup>1.8</sup> 5.90 <sup>2</sup>	5.40 <sup>4</sup>			5.40 <sup>1.4.8</sup>		5.40 <sup>3</sup>	5.65 <sup>2.8</sup>		5.40 <sup>3</sup>		
Hi str. low alloy, c.r.	6.55 <sup>1.8</sup> 6.90 <sup>2</sup>		6.55 <sup>1.8</sup> 7.05 <sup>2</sup>	6.55 <sup>4</sup>			6.55 <sup>4</sup>		6.55 <sup>3</sup>			6.55 <sup>3</sup>		
Hi str. low alloy, galv.	7.20 <sup>1</sup>													
<b>STRIP</b>														
Hot-rolled	3.60 <sup>1.8.9.12</sup> 3.75 <sup>2.8</sup> 3.50 <sup>4</sup>	3.60 <sup>2.8</sup>	3.50 <sup>1.8.8</sup>			3.50 <sup>7</sup>	3.50 <sup>1.4.8</sup> 4.00 <sup>1.3</sup>		3.50 <sup>3.4</sup>	3.90 <sup>2.8</sup>		3.50 <sup>3</sup>		4.40 <sup>1.7</sup>
Cold-rolled	4.65 <sup>1.8</sup> 5.00 <sup>2.8</sup> 5.35 <sup>2.8.8</sup>	4.90 <sup>2.8.8</sup>	4.90 <sup>2</sup>	4.65 <sup>2</sup>		4.65 <sup>7</sup>	4.65 <sup>4.8</sup> 5.35 <sup>1.3.4.8</sup>		4.65 <sup>3</sup>			4.65 <sup>3</sup>		5.45 <sup>1.7</sup> 5.60 <sup>2.8</sup> 5.60 <sup>2.8</sup>
Hi str. low alloy, h.r.	5.75 <sup>2</sup>		5.50 <sup>1</sup> 5.30 <sup>2</sup> 5.80 <sup>2</sup>				4.95 <sup>4</sup> 5.50 <sup>1</sup> 5.40 <sup>1.3</sup>			5.55 <sup>2.8</sup>				
Hi str. low alloy, c.r.	7.20 <sup>2</sup>			6.70 <sup>4</sup>			6.20 <sup>4</sup> 6.55 <sup>1.3</sup>							
<b>TINPLATE</b>														
Cokes, 1.50-lb base box 1.25 lb, deduct 25¢	\$8.70 <sup>1.9.12</sup>		\$8.70 <sup>1.6</sup>											
Electrolytic 0.25, 0.50, 0.75 lb box	Deduct \$1.55, \$1.30 and 90¢ respectively from 1.50-lb coke base box price													
<b>BLACKPLATE, 28 gage</b>	5.85 <sup>1</sup> 6.15 <sup>1.8</sup>		5.85 <sup>1</sup>				5.30 <sup>4</sup>							
Hollowware enameling														
<b>BAR</b>														
Carbon steel	3.70 <sup>1.8</sup> 3.85 <sup>2</sup>	3.70 <sup>1.4.32</sup>	3.70 <sup>1.4.8.8</sup>	3.70 <sup>4</sup>	3.70 <sup>4</sup>		3.70 <sup>1.4.8</sup>		3.70 <sup>2.4</sup>		3.70 <sup>3</sup>			3.85 <sup>1.1</sup>
Reinforcing?	3.70 <sup>1.8</sup>	3.70 <sup>4</sup>	3.70 <sup>1.4.8.8</sup>	3.70 <sup>4</sup>			3.70 <sup>1.4</sup>		3.70 <sup>2.4</sup>		3.70 <sup>3</sup>	3.70 <sup>3</sup>		
Cold-finished	4.55 <sup>1.4.8.1</sup> 5.75 <sup>2.8</sup>	4.55 <sup>1.4.8.7.8</sup> 5.75 <sup>2.8</sup>	4.55 <sup>1.4.7.8</sup>	4.55 <sup>2</sup>	4.55 <sup>4.8.8</sup>									4.70 <sup>2.4</sup>
Alloy, hot-rolled	4.30 <sup>1.17</sup>	4.30 <sup>1.4.32</sup>	4.30 <sup>1.4.8</sup>		4.30 <sup>4</sup>		4.30 <sup>1.8</sup>	4.30 <sup>2</sup>	4.30 <sup>2.4</sup>		4.30 <sup>3</sup>			4.45 <sup>1.1</sup>
Alloy, cold-drawn	5.40 <sup>1.7.5.2</sup> 5.75 <sup>2.8</sup>	5.40 <sup>1.4.8.8.9</sup> 5.75 <sup>2.8</sup>	5.40 <sup>4</sup> 5.90 <sup>7.4</sup>		5.40 <sup>4.8.3</sup>			5.40 <sup>2</sup>	5.40 <sup>2</sup>					5.55 <sup>2.4</sup>
Hi str. low alloy, h.r.	5.55 <sup>1.8</sup>		5.55 <sup>1.8</sup> 6.05 <sup>2</sup>	5.55 <sup>4</sup>			5.55 <sup>1</sup>	5.55 <sup>2</sup>	5.55 <sup>2</sup>		5.55 <sup>3</sup>			
<b>PLATE</b>														
Carbon steel	3.70 <sup>1.8.12</sup>	3.70 <sup>1</sup>	3.70 <sup>1.4.8</sup>	3.70 <sup>4</sup> 4.00 <sup>2</sup>			3.70 <sup>1.4</sup> 3.95 <sup>1.3</sup>		3.70 <sup>2</sup>	4.15 <sup>2.8</sup>	3.70 <sup>2</sup>	3.70 <sup>3</sup>		
Floor plates			4.75 <sup>2</sup>	4.75 <sup>2</sup>						4.75 <sup>2.8</sup>				
Alloy	4.75 <sup>1</sup> 4.85 <sup>2</sup>	4.75 <sup>1</sup>	4.75 <sup>1</sup>				5.20 <sup>1.3</sup>			5.05 <sup>2.8</sup>	4.75 <sup>2</sup>	4.75 <sup>2</sup>		
Hi str. low alloy	5.55 <sup>1.8</sup>	5.55 <sup>1</sup>	5.55 <sup>1.8</sup>	5.55 <sup>4.8</sup>			5.55 <sup>4</sup> 5.70 <sup>1.3</sup>			5.90 <sup>2.8</sup>	5.55 <sup>2</sup>	5.55 <sup>2</sup>		
<b>SHAPES, Structural</b>														
Hi str. low alloy	5.50 <sup>1.8</sup> 5.90 <sup>2</sup>	5.50 <sup>1</sup>	5.50 <sup>1.8</sup>					5.50 <sup>2</sup>	5.50 <sup>2</sup>		5.50 <sup>2</sup>			
<b>MANUFACTURERS' WIRE</b>														
Bright	4.85 <sup>1.8</sup> 5.10 <sup>1.8</sup>	4.85 <sup>2</sup> 4.35 <sup>2</sup>		4.85 <sup>2</sup>				Kokomo = 5.80 <sup>2.8</sup>			4.85 <sup>2</sup>	4.95 <sup>2</sup>	Duluth = 4.85 <sup>2</sup>	
<b>PILING, Steel Sheet</b>	4.45 <sup>1</sup>	4.45 <sup>1</sup>	4.45 <sup>2</sup>						4.45 <sup>2</sup>					

Smaller numbers indicate producing companies. See key at right.  
Prices are in cents per lb unless otherwise noted. Extras apply.

IRON AGE

## STEEL PRICES

## KEY TO STEEL PRODUCERS

Kansas City	Houston	Birmingham	WEST COAST Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Fontana	
			F=\$79.00 <sup>19</sup>	
	\$82.00 <sup>23</sup>		F=\$80.00 <sup>19</sup>	
		\$56.00 <sup>11</sup>	F=\$78.00 <sup>19</sup>	
	\$74.00 <sup>23</sup>	\$68.00 <sup>11</sup>	F=\$85.00 <sup>19</sup> SF, LA, S=\$85.00 <sup>23</sup>	
	\$78.00 <sup>23</sup>		F=\$89.00 <sup>19</sup> LA=\$90.00 <sup>23</sup>	
	4.50 <sup>23</sup>	4.10 <sup>11</sup>	SF=4.90 <sup>23</sup> LA=4.90 <sup>24</sup>	Worcester=4.40 <sup>23</sup> Minnequa=4.35 <sup>14</sup>
		3.60 <sup>11</sup>	SF, LA=4.30 <sup>24</sup> F=4.55 <sup>19</sup>	Niles=5.25 <sup>14</sup> , Geneva=3.70 <sup>19</sup>
		4.35 <sup>11</sup>	SF=5.30 <sup>24</sup> F=5.30 <sup>19</sup>	
		4.80 <sup>11</sup>	SF, LA=5.55 <sup>24</sup>	Ashland=4.80 <sup>27</sup>
		5.40 <sup>11</sup>	F=6.35 <sup>19</sup>	
			F=7.50 <sup>19</sup>	
4.10 <sup>23</sup>	4.90 <sup>23</sup>	3.50 <sup>11</sup>	SF, LA=4.25 <sup>24</sup> , S=4.50 <sup>23</sup> F=4.75 <sup>19</sup> , S=4.50 <sup>23</sup>	Atlanta=4.05 <sup>23</sup> Minnequa=4.55 <sup>14</sup>
			F=6.30 <sup>19</sup> LA=6.40 <sup>27</sup>	New Haven=5.15 <sup>27</sup> , 5.85 <sup>23</sup>
		5.30 <sup>11</sup>	F=6.20 <sup>19</sup>	
Deduct \$1.55, \$1.30 and 90¢ respectively from 1.50-lb coke base box price				
4.30 <sup>23</sup>	4.10 <sup>23</sup>	3.70 <sup>11</sup>	SF, LA=4.40 <sup>24</sup>	Atlanta=4.29 <sup>23</sup> Minnequa=4.15 <sup>14</sup>
4.30 <sup>23</sup>	4.10 <sup>23</sup>	3.70 <sup>11</sup>	SF, S=4.45 <sup>23</sup> F=4.40 <sup>19</sup> , LA=4.40 <sup>23</sup>	Atlanta=4.29 <sup>23</sup> Minnequa=4.50 <sup>14</sup>
				Newark=5.00 <sup>23</sup> Putnam=5.10 <sup>23</sup> , Hartford=5.10 <sup>24</sup> Los Angeles=6.00 <sup>14</sup>
4.90 <sup>23</sup>	4.70 <sup>23</sup>		LA=5.35 <sup>23</sup> F=5.35 <sup>19</sup>	
				Newark=5.75 <sup>23</sup> Worcester=5.75 <sup>23</sup> Hartford=5.55 <sup>14</sup>
		5.55 <sup>11</sup>	F=6.80 <sup>19</sup>	
	4.10 <sup>23</sup>	3.70 <sup>11</sup>	F=4.30 <sup>19</sup> S=4.80 <sup>23</sup> Geneva=3.70 <sup>19</sup>	Claymont=4.15 <sup>23</sup> Cateville=4.15 <sup>21</sup> Minnequa=4.50 <sup>14</sup>
				Harrisburg=5.25 <sup>23</sup>
			F=5.70 <sup>19</sup> Geneva=5.85 <sup>19</sup>	Cateville=5.25 <sup>21</sup> Claymont=4.85 <sup>23</sup>
		5.85 <sup>11</sup>	F=6.25 <sup>19</sup>	
4.25 <sup>23</sup>	4.05 <sup>23</sup>	3.65 <sup>11</sup>	SF=4.20 <sup>23</sup> , F=4.25 <sup>19</sup> LA=4.25 <sup>24</sup> , S=4.30 <sup>23</sup>	Geneva 3.85 <sup>19</sup> , Minnequa 4.10 <sup>14</sup>
		50 <sup>11</sup>	F=6.10 <sup>19</sup>	
4.40 <sup>23</sup>	5.25 <sup>23</sup>	4.85 <sup>11</sup>	SF, LA=5.80 <sup>24</sup>	Atlanta=5.10 <sup>23</sup> , Worcester=5.15 <sup>23</sup> , Minnequa=5.10 <sup>14</sup>

INGOTS carbon forging, net ton
Alloy, net ton
BILLETS, BLOOMS, SLABS Carbon, rerolling, net ton
Carbon forging billets, net ton
Alloy net ton
PIPE SKELP
WIRE RODS
SHEETS Hot-rolled (18 ga. & hvr.)
Cold-rolled
Galvanized (10 gage)
Enameling (12 gage)
Long ternes (10 gage)
Hi str. low alloy, h.r.
Hi str. low alloy, c.r.
Hi str. low alloy, galv.
STRIP Hot-rolled
Cold-rolled
Hi str. low alloy, h.r.
Hi str. low alloy, c.r.
TINPLATE Cokes, 1.50-lb base box 1.25 lb. deduct 20¢
Electrolytic 0.25, 0.50, 0.75 lb box
BLACKPLATE, 29 gage Hollowware enameling
BARS Carbon steel
Reinforcing
Cold-finished
Alloy, hot-rolled
Alloy, cold-drawn
Hi str. low alloy, h.r.
PLATE Carbon steel
Floor plates
Alloy
Hi str. low alloy
SHAPES, Structural
Hi str. low alloy
MANUFACTURERS' WIRE Bright

- U. S. Steel Co., Pittsburgh
- American Steel & Wire Co., Cleveland
- Bethlehem Steel Co., Bethlehem
- Republic Steel Corp., Cleveland
- Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., Pittsburgh
- Youngstown Sheet & Tube Co., Youngstown
- Armco Steel Corp., Middletown, Ohio
- Inland Steel Co., Chicago
- Weirton Steel Co., Weirton, W. Va.
- National Tube Co., Pittsburgh
- Tennessee Coal, Iron & R. R. Co., Birmingham
- Great Lakes Steel Corp., Detroit
- Sharon Steel Corp., Sharon, Pa.
- Colorado Fuel & Iron Corp., Denver
- Wheeling Steel Corp., Wheeling, W. Va.
- Genova Steel Co., Salt Lake City
- Crucible Steel Co. of America, New York
- Pittsburgh Steel Co., Pittsburgh
- Kaiser Steel Corp., Oakland, Calif.
- Portsmouth Div., Detroit Steel Corp., Detroit
- Lukens Steel Co., Coatesville, Pa.
- Granite City Steel Co., Granite City, Ill.
- Wisconsin Steel Co., South Chicago, Ill.
- Columbia Steel Co., San Francisco
- Copperweld Steel Co., Glassport, Pa.
- Alan Wood Steel Co., Conshohocken, Pa.
- Calif. Cold Rolled Steel Corp., Los Angeles
- Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp., Pittsburgh
- Worth Steel Co., Claymont, Del.
- Continental Steel Corp., Kokomo, Ind.
- Rotary Electric Steel Co., Detroit
- Laclede Steel Co., St. Louis
- Northwestern Steel & Wire Co., Sterling, Ill.
- Keystone Steel & Wire Co., Peoria, Ill.
- Central Steel & Wire Co., Harrisburg, Pa.
- Carpenter Steel Co., Reading, Pa.
- Eastern Stainless Steel Corp., Baltimore
- Washington Steel Corp., Washington, Pa.
- Jessop Steel Co., Washington, Pa.
- Blair Strip Steel Co., New Castle, Pa.
- Superior Steel Corp., Carnegie, Pa.
- Timken Steel & Tube Div., Canton, Ohio
- Babcock & Wilcox Tube Co., Beaver Falls, Pa.
- Reeves Steel & Mfg. Co., Dover, Ohio
- John A. Roebling's Sons Co., Trenton, N. J.
- Simonds Saw & Steel Co., Fitchburg, Mass.
- McLouth Steel Corp., Detroit
- Cold Metal Products Co., Youngstown
- Thomas Steel Co., Warren, Ohio
- Wilson Steel & Wire Co., Chicago
- Sweet's Steel Co., Williamsport, Pa.
- Superior Drawn Steel Co., Monaca, Pa.
- Tremont Nail Co., Wareham, Mass.
- Firth Sterling St. & Carbide Corp., McKeesport
- Ingersoll Steel Div., Chicago
- Phoenix Iron & Steel Co., Phoenixville, Pa.
- Fitzsimmons Steel Co., Youngstown
- Stanley Works, New Britain, Conn.
- Universal-Cyclops Steel Corp., Bridgeville, Pa.
- American Cladmetals Co., Carnegie, Pa.
- Cuyahoga Steel & Wire Co., Cleveland
- Bethlehem Pacific Coast Steel Corp., San Fran.
- Follansbee Steel Corp., Pittsburgh
- Niles Rolling Mill Co., Niles, Ohio
- Atlantic Steel Co., Atlanta
- Acme Steel Co., Chicago
- Joslyn Mfg. & Supply Co., Chicago
- Detroit Steel Corp., Detroit
- Wyckoff Steel Co., Pittsburgh
- Bliss & Laughlin, Inc., Harvey, Ill.
- Columbia Steel & Shaffing Co., Pittsburgh
- Cumberland Steel Co., Cumberland, Md.
- La Salle Steel Co., Chicago
- Monarch Steel Co., Inc., Hammond, Ind.
- Empire Steel Co., Mansfield, Ohio
- Mahoning Valley Steel Co., Niles, Ohio
- Oliver Iron & Steel Co., Pittsburgh
- Pittsburgh Screw & Bolt Co., Pittsburgh
- Standard Forging Corp., Chicago
- Driver Harris Co., Harrisburg, N. J.
- Detroit Tube & Steel Div., Detroit
- Reliance Div., Eaton Mfg. Co., Massillon, Ohio
- Sheffield Steel Corp., Kansas City
- Plymouth Steel Co., Detroit
- Wickwire Spencer Steel, Buffalo
- Angell Nail and Chaplet, Cleveland
- Mid-States Steel & Wire, Crawfordsville, Ind.
- National Supply, Pittsburgh, Pa.
- Wheatland Tube Co., Wheatland, Pa.
- Mercer Tube & Mfg. Co., Sharon, Pa.
- Woodward Iron Co., Woodward, Ala.
- Sloss-Sheffield Steel & Iron Co., Birmingham
- Hanna Furnace Corp., Detroit
- Interlake Iron Corp., Cleveland
- Lone Star Steel Co., Dallas
- Mystic Iron Works, Everett, Mass.
- Jackson Iron & Steel Co., Jackson, O.
- Globe Iron Co., Jackson, O.
- Pittsburgh Coke & Chemical Co., Pittsburgh
- Shenango Furnace Co., Pittsburgh
- Tennessee Products & Chemical Corp., Nashville
- Koppers Co., Inc., Granite City, Ill.

# STAINLESS STEELS

Base price, cents per lb.  
f.o.b. mill.

Product	301	302	303	304	316	321	347	410	416	430
Ingot, re-rolling	14.25	15.00	16.50	16.00	24.25	19.75	21.50	12.75	14.75	13.00
Slabs, billets re-rolling	18.50	19.75	21.75	20.75	31.75	26.00	28.25	16.50	20.00	16.75
Forg. discs, die blocks, rings	34.00	34.00	36.50	35.50	52.50	40.00	44.50	28.00	28.50	26.50
Billets, forging	26.25	26.25	28.25	27.50	41.00	31.00	34.75	21.50	22.00	22.00
Bars, wire, structurals	31.25	31.25	33.75	32.75	48.75	36.75	41.25	25.75	26.25	26.25
Plates	33.00	33.00	35.00	35.00	51.50	40.50	45.00	27.00	27.50	27.50
Sheets	41.00	41.00	43.00	43.00	56.50	49.00	53.50	36.50	37.00	39.00
Strip, hot-rolled	26.50	28.00	32.25	30.00	48.25	36.75	41.00	23.50	30.25	24.00
Strip, cold-rolled	34.00	36.50	40.00	38.50	58.50	48.00	52.00	30.50	37.00	31.00

**STAINLESS STEEL PRODUCING POINTS**—*Sheets*: Midland, Pa., 17; Brackenridge, Pa., 28; Butler, Pa., 7; McKeesport, Pa., 1; Washington, Pa., 38 (type 316 add 5¢); 39; Baltimore, 37; Middletown, Ohio, 7; Massillon, Ohio, 4; Gary, 1; Bridgeville, Pa., 59; New Castle, Ind., 65; Ft. Wayne, Ind., 67; Lockport, N. Y., 46.  
*Strip*: Midland, Pa., 17; Cleveland, 2; Carnegie, Pa., 41; McKeesport, Pa., 54; Reading, Pa., 38; Washington, Pa., 38 (type 316 add 5¢); W. Leechburg, Pa., 28; Bridgeville, Pa., 59; Detroit, 47; Massillon, Canton, Ohio, 4; Middletown, Ohio, 7; Harrison, N. J., 80; Youngstown, 48; Lockport, N. Y., 46; New Britain, Conn., 58; Sharon, Pa., 13; Butler, Pa., 7.  
*Bars*: Baltimore, 7; Duquesne, Pa., 1; Munhall, Pa., 1; Reading, Pa., 38; Titusville, Pa., 59; Washington, Pa., 39; McKeesport, Pa., 1, 54; Bridgeville, Pa., 59; Dunkirk, N. Y., 28; Massillon, Ohio, 4; Chicago, 1; Syracuse, N. Y., 17; Watervliet, N. Y., 28; Waukegan, Ill., 2; Lockport, N. Y., 46; Canton, Ohio, 42; Ft. Wayne, Ind., 67.  
*Wire*: Waukegan, Ill., 2; Massillon, Ohio, 4; McKeesport, Pa., 54; Bridgeport, Conn., 44; Ft. Wayne, Ind., 67; Trenton, N. J., 45; Harrison, N. J., 80; Baltimore, 7; Dunkirk, 28.  
*Structurals*: Baltimore, 7; Massillon, Ohio, 4; Chicago, 1, 67; Watervliet, N. Y., 28; Bridgeport, Conn., 44.  
*Plates*: Brackenridge, Pa., 28 (type 416 add 1/4¢); Butler, Pa., 7; Chicago, 1; Munhall, Pa., 1; Midland, Pa., 17; New Castle, Ind., 65; Lockport, N. Y., 46; Middletown, 7; Washington, Pa., 39; Cleveland, Massillon, 4.  
*Forged discs, die blocks, rings*: Pittsburgh, 1, 17; Syracuse, 17; Ferndale, Mich., 28.  
*Forging billets*: Midland, Pa., 17; Baltimore, 7; Washington, Pa., 39; McKeesport, 54; Massillon, Canton, Ohio, 4; Watervliet, 28; Pittsburgh, Chicago, 1.

# MERCHANT WIRE PRODUCTS

F.o.b. Mill	Standard & Coated Nails	Woven Wire Fence 3-15 1/2 gal.	Fence Posts	Single Loop Bale Ties	Twisted Barbed Wire	Gal. Barbed Wire	Merch. Wire Ann'd.	Merch. Wire Gal.
Alabama City-4	118	126	123	136	5.70	5.95		
Aliquippa, Pa.-5	118	132	136	140	5.70	6.15		
Atlanta-65	113	133	126	126	143	5.95	6.40	
Bartonville-34	118	130	140	123	143	5.95	6.15	
Buffalo-85								
Cleveland-86								
Crawfordville-87		132			145	5.95	6.40	
Donora, Pa.-2	118	130	123		140	5.70	6.15	
Duluth-2	118	130	123		136	5.70	6.15	
Fairfield, Ala.-11	126	138	123		148	6.10	6.55	
Houston-83	118	130		140	5.70	6.15		
Johnstown, Pa.-3	118	130	123		140	5.70	6.15	
Joliet, Ill.-2	118	130	123		140	5.70	6.15	
Kokomo, Ind.-30	120	132	125	138	138	5.80	6.05	
Los Angeles-82								
Kansas City-83	130	130	142	135	152	6.30	6.75	
Minneapolis-14	123	138	130	126	148	5.95	6.45	
Monessen-18	124	135			145	5.95	6.40	
Moline, Ill.-4			136					
Palmer-85								
Pittsburg								
Cal.-24	137	149		147	156	6.65	6.80	
Portsmouth-20	124	137		147	147	6.10	6.60	
Rankin, Pa.-2	118	130			140	5.70	6.15	
So. Chicago, Ill.-4	118	126	140	123	136	5.70	5.95	
S. San Fran.-11				147	160	6.65	7.10	
Sparrows Pt.-3	120		125	142	142	5.80	6.25	
Sterling, Ill.-33	118	130	140	123	140	5.70	6.15	
Struthers, Ohio-8						5.70	6.15	
Torrance, Cal.-24	138					6.65		
Worcester-2	124					6.00	6.45	
Williamsport, Pa.-51			150					

Cut Nails, carloads, base, \$6.75 per 100 lb. (less 20¢ to jobbers) at Conshohocken, Pa., (26), Wareham, Mass. (53) Wheeling, W. Va., (15).

# RAILS, TRACK SUPPLIES

F.o.b. Mill Cents Per Lb	No. 1 Std. Rails	Light Rails	Joint Bars	Track Spikes	Axle	Screw Spikes	Tie Plates	Track Bolts Untreated
Bessemer-1	3.60	4.00	4.70					
Chicago-4				8.15				
Ensley-11	3.60	4.00						
Fairfield-11		4.00	4.40			8.80	4.50	
Gary-1	3.60	4.00					4.50	
Ind. Harbor-8	3.60		4.70	6.15	5.25	8.80	4.50	
Johnstown-3		4.00			5.60	8.80		
Joliet-1		4.00	4.70					
Kansas City-83				6.40				
Lackawanna-3	3.60	4.00	4.70			8.80	4.50	
Lebanon-3				6.15				
Minnequa-14	3.60	4.50	4.70	6.15		8.80	4.50	
Pittsburgh-77						9.35		
Pittsburgh-78							9.80	
Pittsburgh-5				6.15				
Pittsburgh-24							4.65	
Seattle-62				6.10			4.35	
Steeltown-3	3.60		4.70				4.50	
Struthers-6				6.15				
Torrance-24							4.65	
Youngstown-4				6.15				

Track Bolts, heat treated, to railroads, 9.85¢ per lb.

# BOILER TUBES

Seamless steel, electric welded commercial boiler tubes, locomotive tubes, minimum wall, per 100 ft at mill, o.k. lots, cut lengths 10 to 24 ft.

Lengths 1 1/2 to 2 1/4 in.					
OD gage in in. BWG		Seamless H.R.	C.D.	Electric H.R.	Weld C.D.
2	13	\$22.67	\$26.66	\$21.99	\$25.84
2 1/2	12	30.48	35.84	29.57	34.76
3	12	33.90	39.90	32.39	34.80
3 1/2	11	42.37	49.89	41.10	48.39
4	10	52.60	61.88	51.03	60.09

Pittsburgh Steel add, H-R: 3 in., 62¢; 2 1/2 in., 84¢; 3 in., 92¢; 3 1/2 in., \$1.17; 4 in., \$1.45. Add, C-R: 2 in., 74¢; 2 1/2 in., 99¢; 3 in., \$1.10; 3 1/2 in., \$1.37; 4 in., \$1.70.

# FLUORSPAR

Washed gravel fluorspar, f.o.b. cars, Rosiclare, Ill. Base price, per ton net: Effective CaF<sub>2</sub> content: 70% or more \$43.00; 60% or less \$40.00.

# CAST IRON WATER PIPE

Per net ton  
6 to 24-in., del'd Chicago \$105.30 to \$108.80  
6 to 24-in., del'd N. Y. 104.50 to 105.50  
6 to 24-in., Birmingham 91.50 to 96.00  
6-in. and larger, f.o.b. cars, San Francisco, Los Angeles, for all rail shipment; rail and water shipment less \$103.50 to \$113.00  
Class "A" and gas pipe, \$5 extra; 4-in. pipe is \$5 a ton above 6-in.

# PIPE AND TUBING

Base discounts, f.o.b. mills. Base price about \$200 per net in.

	BUTTWELD						SEAMLESS					
	1/2 in.	3/4 in.	1 in.	1 1/4 in.	1 1/2 in.	2 in.	2 1/2 in.	3 in.	3 1/2 in.	4 in.	5 in.	6 in.
	Bik. Gal.	Bik. Gal.	Bik. Gal.	Bik. Gal.	Bik. Gal.	Bik. Gal.	Bik. Gal.	Bik. Gal.	Bik. Gal.	Bik. Gal.	Bik. Gal.	Bik. Gal.
<b>STANDARD T. &amp; C.</b>												
Sparrows Pt.-3	34.0	12.0	37.0	16.0	39.5	19.5	40.0	20.0	40.5	21.0	41.0	21.5
Cleveland-4	36.0	14.0	39.0	18.0	41.5	21.5	42.0	22.0	42.5	23.0	43.0	23.5
Oakland-19	25.0	3.0	28.0	7.0	30.5	10.5	31.0	21.0	31.5	22.0	32.0	12.5
Pittsburgh-5	36.0	14.0	39.0	17.0	41.5	19.5	42.0	20.5	42.5	21.0	43.0	21.5
Pittsburgh-10	36.0	14.0	39.0	18.0	41.5	21.5	42.0	22.0	42.5	23.0	43.0	23.5
St. Louis-32	35.0	13.0	38.0	17.0	40.5	20.5	41.0	21.0	41.5	22.0	42.0	22.5
Sharon-90	36.0	13.0	39.0	17.0	41.5	20.0	42.0	20.5	42.5	21.0	43.0	21.5
Toledo-88	36.0	14.0	39.0	18.0	41.5	21.5	42.0	22.0	42.5	23.0	43.0	23.5
Wheeling-15	36.0	14.0	39.0	18.0	41.5	21.5	42.0	22.0	42.5	23.0	43.0	23.5
Wheatland-99	36.0	14.0	39.0	17.0	41.5	19.5	42.0	20.5	42.5	21.0	43.0	21.5
Youngstown-6	36.0	14.0	39.0	18.0	41.5	21.5	42.0	22.0	42.5	23.0	43.0	23.5
<b>EXTRA STRONG, PLAIN ENDS</b>												
Sparrows Pt.-3	33.5	13.0	37.5	17.0	39.5	20.5	40.0	21.0	40.5	22.0	41.0	22.5
Cleveland-4	35.5	15.0	39.5	19.0	41.5	22.5	42.0	23.0	42.5	24.0	43.0	24.5
Oakland-19	24.5	4.0	28.5	18.0	30.5	11.5	31.0	12.0	31.5	13.0	32.0	13.5
Pittsburgh-5	35.5	13.5	39.5	17.5	41.5	19.5	42.0	20.5	42.5	21.0	43.0	21.5
Pittsburgh-10	35.5	15.0	39.5	19.0	41.5	22.5	42.0	23.0	42.5	24.0	43.0	24.5
St. Louis-32	34.5	14.0	38.5	18.0	40.5	21.5	41.0	22.0	41.5	23.0	42.0	22.5
Sharon-90	35.5	14.0	39.5	18.0	41.5	22.0	42.0	22.5	42.5	23.0	43.0	23.5
Toledo-88	35.5	15.0	39.5	19.0	41.5	22.5	42.0	23.0	42.5	24.0	43.0	24.5
Wheeling-15	35.5	15.0	39.5	19.0	41.5	22.5	42.0	23.0	42.5	24.0	43.0	24.5
Wheatland-99	35.5	13.5	39.5	17.5	41.5	19.5	42.0	20.5	42.5	21.0	43.0	21.5
Youngstown-6	35.5	13.0	39.5	19.0	41.5	22.5	42.0	23.0	42.5	24.0	43.0	24.5

Galvanized discounts based on zinc at 17¢ per lb, East St. Louis. For each 1¢ change in zinc, discounts vary as follows: 1/2 in., 3/4 in., and 1 in., 1 pt.; 1 1/4 in., 1 1/2 in., 2 in., 3/4 pt.; 2 1/2 in., 3 in., 1/2 pt. Calculate discounts on even cents per lb of zinc, i.e., if zinc is 16.51¢ to 17.50¢ per lb, use 17¢. Jones & Laughlin discounts apply only when zinc price changes 1¢. Threads only, butt-weld and seamless, 1 pt. higher discount. Plain ends, butt-weld and seamless, 3 in. and under, 3/4 pt. higher discount. Butt-weld jobbers' discount, 5 pt.



## WAREHOUSES

Base price, f.o.b., dollars per 100 lb. \* (Metropolitan area delivery, add 20¢ except Birmingham, San Francisco, Cincinnati, New Orleans, St. Paul, add 15¢; Memphis, add 10¢; Philadelphia, add 25¢; New York, add 30¢).

Cities	Sheets			Strip		Plate Shapes		Bars		Alloy Bars			
	Hot-Rolled	Cold-Rolled (16 gage)	Galvanized (10 gage)	Hot-Rolled	Cold-Rolled	Standard	Structural	Hot-Rolled	Cold-Finished	Hot-Rolled A 4815 As rolled	Hot-Rolled A 4140 As rolled	Cold-Drawn A 4815 As rolled	Cold-Drawn A 4140 As rolled
Baltimore	5.60	6.84	7.49 <sup>2</sup>	6.04	.....	5.80	6.14	6.04	6.84	10.24	10.54	11.89	12.19
Birmingham*	5.60	6.40	6.75	5.55	.....	5.95	5.70	5.55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Boston	6.20	7.00	7.74	6.15	8.50 <sup>4</sup>	6.48	6.20	6.05	6.79	10.25	10.55	11.90	12.20
Buffalo	5.60	6.40	7.74	5.86	.....	6.05	5.80	5.60	6.40	10.15	10.45	11.80	12.10
Chicago	5.60	6.40	7.75	5.55	.....	5.80	5.70	5.55	6.30	9.80	10.10	11.45	11.75
Cincinnati*	5.87	6.44	7.39	5.80	.....	6.19	6.09	5.80	6.61	10.15	10.45	11.80	12.10
Cleveland	5.60	6.40	8.10	5.69	6.90	5.92	5.82	5.57	6.40	9.91	10.21	11.56	11.86
Detroit	5.78	6.53	7.89	5.94	.....	5.99	6.09	5.84	6.56	10.11	10.41	11.76	12.06
Houston	7.00	8.25	.....	.....	.....	6.85	6.50	6.65	9.35	10.35	11.25	.....	12.75
Indianapolis, del'd	6.00	6.80	8.15	5.95	.....	6.20	6.10	5.95	6.80	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kansas City	6.00	6.80	7.45	6.15	7.50	6.40	6.30	6.15	7.00	10.40	10.70	12.05	12.35
Los Angeles	6.35	7.90	8.85	6.40	9.45 <sup>4</sup>	6.40	6.35	6.35	8.20	11.30	11.30	13.20	13.50
Memphis*	6.33	7.08	.....	6.33	.....	6.43	6.33	6.08	7.16	.....	.....	.....	.....
Milwaukee	6.38	7.18	.....	6.38	.....	6.02	6.48	6.33	7.32	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Orleans*	5.74	6.54	7.89	5.69	.....	5.94	5.84	5.69	6.44	9.94	10.24	11.59	11.89
New York*	5.67	7.19 <sup>4</sup>	8.14 <sup>2</sup>	6.29	8.63 <sup>4</sup>	6.28	6.10	6.12	6.99	10.05	10.35	11.70	12.10
Norfolk	5.97	7.24 <sup>1</sup>	.....	6.69	.....	6.58	.....	.....	.....	10.15	10.45	11.80	12.20
Philadelphia*	6.50 <sup>3</sup>	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.50 <sup>3</sup>	6.60 <sup>3</sup>	6.55 <sup>3</sup>	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pittsburgh	5.90	6.55	8.00	6.10	.....	6.05	5.90	6.05	6.61	9.90	10.20	.....	.....
Portland	6.60	8.95	8.50	5.95	.....	5.75	5.70	5.55	6.15	9.60	10.10	11.45	11.75
Salt Lake City	7.55	9.10	.....	7.30	.....	6.80	6.95	6.90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
San Francisco*	7.95	9.70	8.70	.....	.....	8.05	8.30	8.65	9.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Seattle	6.65	8.05 <sup>3</sup>	8.55	6.80	9.45 <sup>4</sup>	6.50	6.45	6.45	6.20	11.30	11.30	13.20	13.50
St. Louis	6.80	8.90 <sup>2</sup>	.....	9.20	.....	6.75	6.65	6.75	9.05	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Paul*	5.85	6.65	8.00	5.80	8.00 <sup>4</sup>	6.13	6.03	5.80	6.55	10.05	10.35	11.70	12.00
St. Paul*	6.16	6.96	8.31	6.11	.....	6.36	6.26	6.11	6.96	10.36	10.66	12.01	12.31

BASE QUANTITIES (Standard unless otherwise keyed): Cold finished bars; 2000 lb or over. Alloy bars; 1000 to 1999 lb. All others; 2000 to 9999 lb. All HR products may be combined for quantity. All galvanized sheets may be combined for quantity. CR sheets may not be combined with each other or with galvanized sheets for quantity. EXCEPTIONS: (1) 400 to 1499 lb; (2) 450 to 1499 lb; (3) 400 to 1999 lb; (4) 6000 lb and over; (5) 1500 to 9999 lb; (6) 2000 to 5999 lb.

## PIG IRON

Dollars per gross ton, f.o.b., subject to switching charges.

Producing Point	Basic	No. 2 Foundry	Malleable	Bessemer	Low Phos.	Blast Furnace Silvery	Low Phos. Charcoal
Bethlehem-3	54.00	54.50	55.00	55.50	.....	.....	.....
Birmingham-4	48.38	48.88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Birmingham-91	48.38	48.88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Birmingham-92	48.38	48.88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Buffalo-4	52.00	52.50	53.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Buffalo-93	52.00	52.50	53.00	.....	.....	63.75	.....
Chicago-94	52.00	52.50	52.50	53.00	.....	.....	.....
Cleveland-2	52.00	52.50	52.50	53.00	57.00	.....	.....
Cleveland-4	52.00	52.50	52.50	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dangerfield, Tex.-95	48.00	48.50	48.50	.....	.....	.....	.....
Duluth-94	52.00	52.50	52.50	53.00	.....	.....	.....
Erie-94	52.00	52.50	52.50	53.00	.....	.....	.....
Everett, Mass.-96	.....	53.25	53.75	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fontana-19	58.00	58.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Geneva, Utah-16	52.00	52.50	52.50	53.00	.....	.....	.....
Granite City, Ill.-102	53.90	54.40	54.90	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hubbard, O.-6	52.00	52.50	52.50	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ironton, Utah-16	52.00	52.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Jackson, O.-97.98	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	62.50	.....
Lyle, Tenn.-101	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	66.00
Monessen-16	54.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Neville Island-99	52.00	52.50	52.50	53.00	.....	.....	.....
Pittsburgh-1	52.00	.....	.....	53.00	.....	.....	.....
Sharpsville-100	52.00	52.50	52.50	53.00	.....	.....	.....
Steelton-3	54.00	54.50	55.00	55.50	60.00	.....	.....
Swadland-26	56.00	56.50	57.00	57.50	.....	.....	.....
Toledo-94	52.00	52.50	52.50	53.00	.....	.....	.....
Troy, N. Y.-4	54.00	54.50	55.00	.....	60.00	.....	.....
Youngstown-6	52.00	52.50	52.50	53.00	.....	.....	.....

DIFFERENTIALS: Add 50¢ per ton for each 0.25 pct silicon over base (1.75 to 2.25 pct), 50¢ per ton for each 0.50 pct manganese over 1 pct, \$2 per ton for 0.5 to 0.75 pct nickel, \$1 for each additional 0.25 pct nickel. Subtract 38¢ per ton for phosphorus content over 0.70 pct. Silvery iron: Add \$1.50 per ton for each 0.50 pct silicon over base (6.01 to 6.50 pct) up to 17 pct. \$1 per ton for 0.75 pct or more phosphorus, manganese as above. Bessemer ferroalloy prices are \$1 over semiprocessed silvery iron.

## REFRACTORIES

**Fire Clay Brick** (F.o.b. works)  
Carloads, Per 1000  
First quality, Ill. Ky., Md., Mo., Ohio, Pa. (except Salina, Pa., add \$5).....\$94.60  
No. 1 Ohio ..... 88.00  
Sec. quality, Pa., Md., Ky., Mo., Ill. .... 79.26  
No. 2 Ohio ..... 79.26  
Ground fire clay, net ton, bulk (except Salina, Pa., add \$1.50)..... 13.79

**Silica Brick**  
Mt. Union, Pa., Ensley, Ala. ....\$94.60  
Childs, Pa. .... 99.00  
Hays, Pa. .... 100.10  
Chicago District ..... 104.50  
Western Utah and Calif. .... 111.10  
Super Duty, Hays, Pa., Athens, Tex., Chicago ..... 111.10  
Silica cement, net ton, bulk, Eastern (except Hays, Pa.) ..... 10.50  
Silica cement, net ton, bulk, Hays, Pa. .... 13.70  
Silica cement, net ton, bulk, Ensley, Ala. .... 17.60  
Silica cement, net ton, bulk, Chicago District ..... 17.60  
Silica cement, net ton, bulk, Utah and Calif. .... 24.79

**Chrome Brick** Per Net Ton  
Standard chemically bonded, Balt., Chester .....\$82.00

**Magnesite Brick**  
Standard, Baltimore .....\$104.00  
Chemically bonded, Baltimore ..... 93.00

**Grain Magnesite** St. %-in. grains  
Domestic, f.o.b. Baltimore, in bulk fines removed .....\$62.70  
Domestic, f.o.b. Chewelah, Wash., in bulk ..... 36.30  
in sacks ..... 41.80

**Dead Burned Dolomite**  
F.o.b. producing points in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Ohio, per net ton, bulk Midwest, add 10¢; Missouri Valley, add 20¢....\$13.00

## COKE

**Furnace, beehive (f.o.b. oven)** Net Ton  
Connellsville, Pa. ....\$14.00 to \$14.50  
**Foundry, beehive (f.o.b. oven)**  
Connellsville, Pa. ....\$17.00 to \$17.50  
**Foundry, oven coke**  
Buffalo, del'd .....\$35.35  
Chicago, f.o.b. .... 31.00  
Detroit, f.o.b. .... 23.00  
New England, del'd ..... 24.80  
Seaboard, N. J., f.o.b. .... 22.00  
Philadelphia, f.o.b. .... 22.70  
Swadland, Pa., f.o.b. .... 22.60  
Plainesville, Ohio, f.o.b. .... 24.90  
Erie, Pa., f.o.b. .... 23.50  
Cleveland, del'd ..... 25.73  
Cincinnati, del'd ..... 25.06  
St. Paul, f.o.b. .... 21.00  
St. Louis, f.o.b. .... 24.90  
Birmingham, del'd ..... 20.79  
Neville Island, f.o.b. .... 23.00

## LAKE SUPERIOR ORES

(61.50% Fe; natural content, delivered lower lake ports)

Per gross ton  
Old range, bessemer .....\$8.70  
Old range, nonbessemer ..... 8.55  
Mesabi, bessemer ..... 8.45  
Mesabi, nonbessemer ..... 8.30  
High phosphorus ..... 8.30  
After adjustments for analyses, prices will be increased or decreased as the case may be for increases or decreases after Dec. 2, 1950, in lake vessel rates, upper lake rail freights, dock handling charges and taxes thereon.

## C-R SPRING STEEL

Base per pound f.o.b. mill

0.26 to 0.40 carbon ..... 5.35¢  
0.41 to 0.60 carbon ..... 6.80¢  
0.61 to 0.80 carbon ..... 7.40¢  
0.81 to 1.05 carbon ..... 9.35¢  
1.06 to 1.35 carbon ..... 11.65¢  
Worcester, add 0.30¢; Sharon, Carnegie, New Castle, add 0.35¢; Detroit, 0.36 to 0.40 carb., add 25¢; other grades add 15¢.  
New Haven, 0.26 to 0.40 carb., add 50¢; other grades add 5¢.

## BOLTS, NUTS, RIVETS, SCREWS

Consumer Prices  
(Base discount, f.o.b. mill, Pittsburgh,  
Cleveland, Birmingham or Chicago)

## Machine and Carriage Bolts

	Pot Off List	Less Case	C.
1/2 in. & smaller x 6 in. & shorter	15	28 1/2	
9/16 in. & 5/8 in. x 6 in. & shorter	18 1/2	30 1/2	
3/4 in. & larger x 6 in. & shorter	17 1/2	29 1/2	
All diam. longer than 6 in.	14	27 1/2	
Lag, all diam. x 6 in. & shorter	23	35	
Lag, all diam. longer than 6 in.	21	33	
Plow bolts	34		

## Nuts, Hot Pressed, Cold Punched—Sq

	Pot Off List	Less Keg. K. (Reg.)	Less Keg. K. (Hvy.)
1/2 in. & smaller	15	28 1/2	15 28 1/2
9/16 in. & 5/8 in.	12	25	6 1/2 21
3/4 in. to 1 1/2 in.			
Inclusive	9	23	1 16 1/2
1 1/2 in. & larger	7 1/2	22	1 16 1/2

## Nuts, Hot Pressed—Hexagon

	Pot Off List	Less Keg. K. (Reg.)	Less Keg. K. (Hvy.)
1/2 in. & smaller	26	37	22 34
9/16 in. & 5/8 in.	16	29 1/2	6 1/2 21
3/4 in. to 1 1/2 in.			
Inclusive	12	25	2 17 1/2
1 1/2 in. & larger	8 1/2	23	2 17 1/2

## Nuts, Cold Punched—Hexagon

	Pot Off List	Less Keg. K. (Reg.)	Less Keg. K. (Hvy.)
1/2 in. & smaller	26	37	22 34
9/16 in. & 5/8 in.	23	35	17 1/2 30 1/2
3/4 in. to 1 1/2 in.			
Inclusive	19 1/2	31 1/2	12 25
1 1/2 in. & larger	12	25	6 1/2 21

## Nuts, Semi-Finished—Hexagon

	Pot Off List	Less Keg. K. (Reg.)	Less Keg. K. (Hvy.)
1/2 in. & smaller	35	45	28 1/2 39 1/2
9/16 in. & 5/8 in.	29 1/2	40 1/2	22 34
3/4 in. to 1 1/2 in.			
Inclusive	24	36	15 28 1/2
1 1/2 in. & larger	13	26	8 1/2 23

	Pot Off List	Less Keg. K. (Reg.)	Less Keg. K. (Hvy.)
7/16 in. & smaller	35	45	28 1/2 39 1/2
9/16 in. & 5/8 in.	29 1/2	40 1/2	22 34
3/4 in. to 1 1/2 in.			
Inclusive	26	37	

## Steel Bolts

	Pot Off List	Less Keg. K. (Reg.)	Less Keg. K. (Hvy.)
Packaged, steel, plain finished	56-10		
Packaged, plated finished	41-10		
Bulk, plain finish**	67*		

\*Discounts apply to bulk shipments in not less than 15,000 pieces of a size and kind where length is 3-in. and shorter; 5000 pieces for lengths longer than 3-in. For lesser quantities, packaged price applies.

\*\*Zinc, Parkerized, cadmium or nickel plated finishes add 6¢ per lb net. For black oil finish, add 2¢ per lb net.

## Rivets

	Pot Off List	Less Keg. K. (Reg.)	Less Keg. K. (Hvy.)
1/2 in. & larger	37.85		
7/16 in. & smaller	26		
F.o.b. Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Chicago, Birmingham, Lebanon, Pa.			

## Cap and Set Screws

	Pot Off List	Less Keg. K. (Reg.)	Less Keg. K. (Hvy.)
Hexagon head cap screws, coarse or fine thread, 1/2 in. thru 3/4 in. x 6 in., SAE 1020, bright	54		
1/2 in. thru 1 in. up to & including 6 in. & shorter	48		
3/4 in. thru 1 1/2 in. x 6 in. & shorter	46		
high C double heat treat	35		
1/2 in. thru 1 in. up to & including 6 in.	41		
Milled studs	35		
Flat head cap screws, listed sizes	16		
Fillister head cap, listed sizes	34		
Set screws, sq head, cup point, 1 in. diam. and smaller x 6 in. & shorter	53		

## S. M. Ferrochrome

Contract price, cents per pound, chromium contained, lump size, delivered.

	Pot Off List	Less Keg. K. (Reg.)	Less Keg. K. (Hvy.)
High carbon type: 60-65% Cr, 4-6% Si, 4-6% Mn, 4-6% C.	21.60		
Carloads	23.75		
Ton lots	25.85		
Less ton lots	27.75		
Low carbon type: 62-66% Cr, 4-6% Si, 4-6% Mn, 1.25% max. C.	30.05		
Carloads	31.85		
Ton lots			
Less ton lots			

## ELECTRODES

Cents per lb, f.o.b. plant, threaded electrodes with nipples, unboxed

Diam. in in.	Length in in.	Cents Per lb
GRAPHITE		
17, 18, 20	60, 72	17.85
8 to 16	48, 60, 72	17.85
7	48, 60	19.57
6	48, 60	20.95
4, 5	40	21.50
3	40	22.61
2 1/2	24, 30	23.15
2	24, 30	25.36
CARBON		
40	100, 110	8.03
35	65, 110	8.03
30	65, 84, 110	8.03
24	72 to 104	8.03
20	84, 90	8.03
17	60, 72	8.03
14	60, 72	8.57
10, 12	60	8.84
8	60	9.10

## CLAD STEEL

Base prices, cents per pound, f.o.b. mill Stainless-carbon Plate Sheet

	Plate	Sheet
No. 304, 20 pct. Coatesville, Pa. (21)...	*29.5	
Washgtn, Pa. (39)...	*29.5	
Claymont, Del. (29)...	*28.00	
Conshohocken, Pa. (26)...	*24.00	
New Castle, Ind. (55)...	*25.50	
Nickel-carbon		
10 pct. Coatesville (21)...	32.5	
Inconel-carbon		
10 pct. Coatesville (21)...	40.5	
Monel-carbon		
10 pct. Coatesville (21)...	33.5	
No. 302 Stainless-copper-stainless, Carnegie, Pa. (60)...	77.00	
Aluminized steel sheets, hot dip, Butler, Pa. (7)...	7.75	

\*Includes annealing and pickling, or sandblasting.

## TOOL STEEL

F.o.b. mill					Base
W	Cr	V	Mo	Co	per lb
18	4	1	—	—	\$1.235
18	4	1	—	5	\$1.86
18	4	2	—	—	\$1.38
1.5	4	1.5	8	—	78.5¢
6	4	2	6	—	.87¢
High-carbon chromium .....					63.5¢
Oil hardened manganese .....					35¢
Special carbon .....					32.5¢
Extra carbon .....					27¢
Regular carbon .....					33¢
Warehouse prices on and east of Mississippi are 3¢ per lb higher. West of Mississippi, 5¢ higher.					

## METAL POWDERS

	Per pound, f.o.b. shipping point, in ton lots, for minus 100 mesh.
Swedish sponge iron c.l.f.	7.4¢ to 9.0¢
New York, ocean bags.	10.00¢
Canadian sponge iron, del'd, in East	10.00¢
Domestic sponge iron, 98+%	9.0¢ to 15.0¢
Fe, carload lots	36.0¢ to 39.5¢
Electrolytic iron, annealed, 99.5+%	48.5¢
Electrolytic iron unannealed, minus 325 mesh, 99+%	63.0¢ to 80.0¢
Hydrogen reduced iron, minus 300 mesh, 98+%	70.0¢ to 11.3¢
Carbonyl iron, size 5 to 10 micron, 98%, 99.8+%	29.00¢
Aluminum	30.00¢ to 33.25¢
Brass, 10 ton lots	30.00¢ to 33.25¢
Copper, electrolytic 10.25¢ plus metal value	75.00¢
Copper, reduced	11.00¢ plus metal value
Cadmium 100-199 lb. 95¢ plus metal value	84.15
Chromium, electrolytic, 99% min., and quantity	20.50¢ to 23.5¢
Lead	
Manganese	
Molybdenum, 99%	
Nickel, unannealed	
Nickel, annealed	
Nickel, spherical, unannealed	
Silicon	
Solder powder	
Stainless steel, 302	
Tin	
Tungsten, 99%	
Zinc, 10 ton lots	

## ELECTRICAL SHEETS

22 Ga. H-R cut lengths

F.o.b. Mill Cents Per Lb.	Armature	Elec.	Motor	Dynamo	Transf. 72	Transf. 65	Transf. 50
Beech Bottom-15	7.25	8.50	9.30	9.85	10.40	11.10	
Brackenridge-28	7.25	8.50	9.30	9.85	10.40	11.10	
Follansbee-63	6.75	7.25	8.50	9.30	9.85	10.40	11.10
Granite City-22	7.95	9.20					
Ind. Harbor-3	6.75	7.25					
Mansfield-75	6.75	7.25	8.50	9.30			
Niles, O.-64	7.05	7.55					
Vandergriff-1	6.75	7.25	8.50	9.30	9.85	10.40	11.10
Warren, O.-4	6.75	7.25	8.50	9.30	9.85	10.40	11.10
Zanesville-7	6.75	7.25	8.50	9.30	9.85	10.40	11.10

Transformer 82, 80¢ above Transformer 58.

## Ferrochrome

Contract prices, cents per pound, contained Cr, lump size, bulk, in carloads, delivered. (65-72% Cr, 2% max. Si.)

0.06% C	30.50	0.20% C	29.50
0.10% C	30.00	0.50% C	29.25
0.15% C	29.75	1.00% C	29.00
2.00% C			28.75
65-69% Cr, 4-6% C			23.00
62-66% Cr, 4-6% C, 6-9% Si			22.85

## High-Nitrogen Ferrochrome

Low-carbon type: 67-73% Cr, 0.75% N. Add 5¢ per lb to regular low carbon ferrochrome price schedule. Add 5¢ for each additional 0.25% N.

## Chromium Metal

Contract prices, per lb chromium contained packed, delivered, ton lots. 97% min. Cr, 1% max. Fe.

0.20% max. C	\$1.00
0.50% max. C	1.05
1.00 min. C	1.04

## Low Carbon Ferrochrome Silicon

(Cr 34-41%, Si 42-49%, C 0.05% max.) Contract price, carloads, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, freight allowed: lump 4-in. x down, bulk 2-in. x down, 21.75¢ per lb of contained Cr plus 12.00¢ per lb of contained Si. Bulk 1-in. x down, 21.90¢ per lb contained Cr plus 12.20¢ per lb contained Si.

## Calcium-Silicon

Contract price per lb of alloy, dump, delivered.

30-33% Ca, 60-65% Si, 3.00% max. Fe	19.00
Carloads	22.10
Ton lots	23.00
Less ton lots	23.00

## Calcium-Manganese-Silicon

Contract prices, cents per lb of alloy, lump, delivered.

16-20% Ca, 14-18% Mn, 53-59% Si	20.00
Carloads	22.20
Ton lots	23.20
Less ton lots	23.20

## CM5Z

Contract price, cents per lb of alloy, delivered.

Alloy 4: 45-49% Cr, 4-6% Mn, 18-21% Si, 1.25-1.75% Zr, 3.00-4.5% C.	18.50
Alloy 5: 50.56% Cr, 4-6% Mn, 18.50-16.00% Si, 0.75 to 1.25% Zr, 3.50-5.00% C.	20.75
Ton lots	22.00
Less ton lots	22.00

## V Foundry Alloy

Cents per pound of alloy, f.o.b. Suspension Bridge, N. Y., freight allowed, max. St. Louis. V-5: 38-42% Cr, 17-19% Si, 8-11% Mn.

Ton lots	16.50¢
Less ton lots	17.75¢

## Graphidox No. 4

Cents per pound of alloy, f.o.b. Suspension Bridge, N. Y., freight allowed, max. St. Louis. SI 48 to 52%, TI 9 to 11%, Ca 5 to 7%.

Carload packed	18.00¢
Ton lots to carload packed	19.00¢
Less ton lots	20.50¢

## SMZ

Contract price, cents per pound of alloy, delivered, 60-65% Si, 5-7% Mn, 5-7% Zr, 10% Fe, 1/2 in. x 12 mesh.

Ton lots	17.30
Less ton lots	18.50



## FERROALLOYS

### Ferromanganese

78-82% Mn. maximum contract base price, gross ton, lump size.  
F.o.b. Niagara Falls, Alloy, W. Va., Welland, Ont., Ashtabula, O. . . . \$185  
F.o.b. Johnstown, Pa. . . . \$187  
F.o.b. Sheridan, Pa. . . . \$185  
F.o.b. Etta, Clairton, Pa. . . . \$188  
\$2.00 for each 1% above 82% Mn. penalty, \$2.15 for each 1% below 78%.  
Briquets—Cents per pound of briquet, delivered, 66% contained Mn.  
Carload, bulk . . . . . 10.48  
Ton lots . . . . . 12.05

### Spiegeleisen

Contract prices gross ton, lump, f.o.b.  
16-19% Mn 19-21% Mn  
3% max. Si 3% max. Si  
Palmerton, Pa. \$74.00 \$75.00  
Ph. or Chicago 74.00 75.00

### Manganese Metal

Contract basis, 3 in. x down, cents per pound of metal, delivered.  
96% min. Mn, 0.3% max. C, 1% max. Si, 2% max. Fe.  
Carload, packed . . . . . 29.78  
Ton lots . . . . . 31.85

### Electrolytic Manganese

F.o.b. Knoxville, Tenn., freight allowed east of Mississippi, cents per pound.  
Carloads . . . . . 28  
Ton lots . . . . . 30  
Less ton lots . . . . . 33

### Medium Carbon Ferromanganese

Mn 80% to 85%, C 1.25 to 1.50. Contract price, carloads, lump, bulk, delivered, per lb. of contained Mn . . . . . 19.15¢

### Low-Carbon Ferromanganese

Contract price, cents per pound Mn contained, lump size, del'd., Mn. 85-90%.  
Carloads Ton Less  
0.07% max. C, 0.06% P, 90% Mn . . . . . 26.25 28.10 29.30  
0.07% max. C . . . . . 25.75 27.60 28.80  
0.15% max. C . . . . . 25.25 27.10 28.30  
0.30% max. C . . . . . 24.75 26.60 27.80  
0.50% max. C . . . . . 24.25 26.10 27.30  
0.75% max. C . . . . . 21.25 23.10 24.30  
7.00% max. Si . . . . . 21.25 23.10 24.30

### Silicomanganese

Contract basis, lump size, cents per pound of metal, delivered, 65-68% Mn, 18-20% Si, 1.5% max. C. For 2% max. C, deduct 0.2¢.  
Carload bulk . . . . . 9.90  
Ton lots . . . . . 11.55  
Briquet, contract basis carlots, bulk delivered, per lb. of briquet . . . . . 11.15  
Ton lots . . . . . 11.75

### Silvery Iron (electric furnace)

Si 14.01 to 14.50 pct, f.o.b. Keokuk Iowa, or Wenatchee, Wash., \$39.50 gross ton, freight allowed to normal trade area Si 15.01 to 15.50 pct, f.o.b. Niagara Falls N. Y., \$33.00. Add \$1.00 per ton for each additional 0.50% Si up to and including 18%. Add \$1.00 for each 0.50% Mn over 1%.

### Silicon Metal

Contract price, cents per pound contained Si, lump size, delivered, for ton lots packed.  
96% Si, 2% Fe . . . . . 21.70  
97% Si, 1% Fe . . . . . 22.10

### Silicon Briquets

Contract price, cents per pound of briquet bulk, delivered, 40% Si, 1 lb Si briquets.  
Carload, bulk . . . . . 6.95  
Ton lots . . . . . 8.55

### Electric Ferrosilicon

Contract price, cents per pound contained Si, lump, bulk, carloads, delivered.  
25% Si . . . . . 19.00 75% Si . . . . . 14.30  
50% Si . . . . . 12.40 85% Si . . . . . 15.55  
90-95% Si . . . . . 17.50

### Calcium Metal

Eastern zone contract prices, cents per pound of metal, delivered.  
Cast Turnings Distilled  
Ton lots . . . . . \$2.05 \$2.95 \$3.75  
Less ton lots . . . . . 2.40 3.30 4.55

### Other Ferroalloys

Alsilfer, 20% Al, 40% Si, 40% Fe, contract basis, f.o.b. Suspension Bridge, N. Y.  
Carload . . . . . \$1.15  
Ton lots . . . . . 9.55¢  
Calcium molybdate, 45-40%, f.o.b. Langeloth, Pa., per pound contained Mo . . . . . \$1.18  
Ferrocolumbium, 50-60%, 2 in. x D, contract basis, delivered, per pound contained Cb.  
Ton lots . . . . . \$4.30  
Less ton lots . . . . . 4.95  
Ferro-Tantalum-columbium, 20% Ta, 40% Cb, 0.30 C. Contract basis, delivered, ton lots, 2 in. x D, per lb of contained Cb plus Ta . . . . . \$3.75  
Ferromolybdenum, 55-75%, f.o.b. Langeloth, Pa., per pound contained Mo . . . . . \$1.33  
Ferrophosphorus, electrolytic, 23-26%, car lots, f.o.b. Siglo, Mt. Pleasant, Tenn., \$3 unitage, per gross ton . . . . . \$55.09  
10 tons to less carload . . . . . 75.00  
Ferrotitanium, 40%, regular grade, 0.10% C max., f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., and Bridgeville, Pa., freight allowed, ton lots, per lb contained Ti . . . . . \$1.35  
Ferrotitanium, 25%, low carbon, 0.10% C max., f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., and Bridgeville, Pa., freight allowed, ton lots, per lb contained Ti . . . . . \$1.50  
Less ton lots . . . . . \$1.55  
Ferrotitanium, 15 to 19%, high carbon, f.o.b. Niagara Falls, N. Y., freight allowed, carload per net ton . . . . . \$177.00  
Ferrotungsten, standard, lump or ¼ x down, packed, per pound contained W, 5 ton lots, delivered . . . . . \$3.25  
Ferrovanadium, 35-55%, contract basis, delivered, per pound, contained V.  
Openhearth . . . . . \$3.00-\$3.05  
Crucible . . . . . 3.10-3.15  
High speed steel (Primus) . . . . . 3.25  
Molybdc oxide, briquets or cans, per lb contained Mo, f.o.b. Langeloth, Pa. . . . . \$1.14  
bags, f.o.b. Washington, Pa., Langeloth, Pa. . . . . \$1.13

### Simanal, 20% Si, 20% Mn, 20%

Al, contract basis, f.o.b. Philo, Ohio, freight allowed, per pound  
Carload, bulk lump . . . . . 14.50¢  
Ton lots, bulk lump . . . . . 15.75¢  
Less ton lots, lump . . . . . 16.25¢

Vanadium pentoxide, 85-95% V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> contract basis, per pound contained V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> . . . . . \$1.35

Zirconium, 35-40%, contract basis, f.o.b. plant, freight allowed, per pound of alloy.  
Ton lots . . . . . \$1.00

Zirconium, 12-15%, contract basis, lump, delivered, per lb of alloy.  
Carload, bulk . . . . . 7.00¢

### Boron Agents

Contract prices per lb of alloy, del. Borasil, f.o.b. Philo, Ohio, freight allowed, B 3-4%, Si 40-45%, per lb contained B . . . . . \$5.25

Bortam, f.o.b. Niagara Falls  
Ton lots, per pound . . . . . 45¢  
Less ton lots, per pound . . . . . 50¢

Carbortam, Ti 15-21%, B 1-2%, Si 2-4%, Al 1-2%, C 4.5-7.5%, f.o.b. Suspension Bridge, N. Y., freight allowed.  
Ton lots, per pound . . . . . 10.00¢

Ferroboreon, 17.50% min. B, 1.50% max. Si, 0.50% max. Al, 0.50% max. C, 1 in. x D. Ton lots . . . . . \$1.30  
F.o.b. Wash., Pa.; 100 lb, up  
10 to 14% B . . . . . 7¢  
14 to 19% B . . . . . 1.20  
19% min. B . . . . . 1.50

Grainal, f.o.b. Bridgeville, Pa., freight allowed, 100 lb and over.  
No. 1 . . . . . \$1.00  
No. 6 . . . . . 65¢  
No. 79 . . . . . 50¢

Manganese-Boron 75.00% Mn, 15-20% B, 5% max. Fe, 1.50% max. Si, 1.00% max. C, 2 in. x D, delivered.  
Ton lots . . . . . \$1.45  
Less ton lots . . . . . 1.67

Nickel-Boron 15-18% B, 1.00% max. Al, 1.50% max. Si, 0.50% max. C, 8.00% max. Fe, balance Ni, delivered.  
Less ton lots . . . . . \$1.50

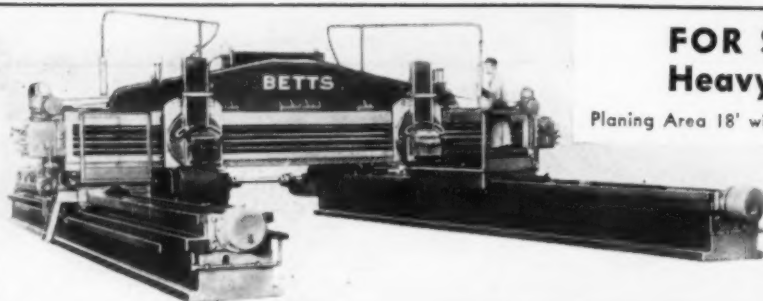
Silicag, contract basis, delivered.  
Ton lots . . . . . 45.00¢

## Defense Contracts to Metalworking Industry

### Selected Contracts, Week of Jan. 22, 1951

Item	Quan.	Value	Company
Tanks . . . . .		\$99,000,000.00	Chrysler Corp., Detroit
Vehicles . . . . .		76,000,000.00	Studebaker Corp., South Bend
F-89 planes . . . . .			Northrop Aircraft, Inc., Hawthorne
Ambulances . . . . . 422		1,853,115.94	Watson Auto. Equip. Co., Wash., D. C.
Axles, gears . . . . . 1,800		693,154.70	Federal Motor Trk. Co., Detroit
Retainer and axles . . . . . 320		203,762.40	Ward LaFrance Trk. Co., Elmira
Engine . . . . . 420		368,634.00	White Mtr. Co., Cleveland
Receiver-transmitter . . . . .		621,741.00	Wilcox Electric Co., Inc., Kansas City
Airplanes . . . . .		3,840,000.00	Douglas Aircraft Co., Inc., Santa Monica
Receiver-transmitter . . . . .		1,559,237.00	Bendix Radio Div., Bendix Aviation Corp., Baltimore
Machometers . . . . .		338,164.00	Kollman Instrument Div., Square D Co., Elmhurst
Automatic pilots . . . . .		2,000,000.00	Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co., Minneapolis
Microwave systems . . . . .		1,500,000.00	Philco Corp., Philadelphia
Trainers, simulators . . . . .		2,000,000.00	Link Aviation, Inc., Binghamton
Flight computers . . . . .		6,105,000.00	Sperry Gyroscope Co., Great Neck
Generators . . . . .		1,163,808.00	Jack & Heintz Precision Ind., Inc., Cleveland
Amplifiers . . . . .		315,997.00	Rauland Borg Corp., Chicago
Machinery . . . . .		425,000.00	Eastman Kodak Co., Rochester
Oil filter assemblies 5,800		1,603,801.00	Purclator Products, Inc., Rahway
Helicopters . . . . . 10		3,137,684.00	United Aircraft Corp., Bridgeport
Deck turrets . . . . . 180		4,914,000.00	The Glenn L. Martin Co., Baltimore
Stowage cabinets . . . . . 55,400		755,656.00	Sterod Mfg. Co., Newark, N. J.
Pumps . . . . . 89		647,634.91	Blackmer Pump Co., Grand Rapids
Diesel engines . . . . . 34		3,500,000.00	Packard Motor Car Co., Detroit
Power plants . . . . . 25 ea.		130,000.00	O. E. Szekely, Philadelphia
Jet engine parts . . . . .		5,150,000.00	Allison Div., General Motors Corp., Indianapolis
Power units . . . . .		439,968.00	Sorensen & Co., Inc., Stamford





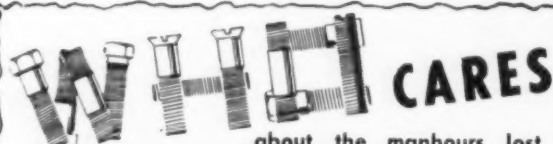
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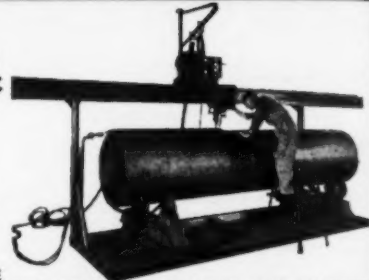
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